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## ALLEGED BRITISH CABINET CHANGES: SPECULATIONS FIND LITTLE SUPPORT

### Smaller Body Probable To Direct The War

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter) — The speculations which are rife about the alleged British Cabinet changes find little authentic support, Reuter's Parliamentary correspondent learns.

The position also remains unchanged regarding the suggestion that the Opposition Parties be invited to join the Government.

The minority Labour front benchers would willingly join the Ministry but the Parliamentary Labour Party is tied by the labour movement and the previous decision could not be modified without the decision of a conference. The next conference will meet at Whit-sundate.

### Australian Labour Declaration

#### DISCUSSION ON WAR POLICY

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter) — A message from Melbourne says that Mr. R. G. Menzies, Australian Premier, stated today that the Cabinet would discuss the war policy on the resolution passed by the New South Wales Labour Party at its Easter conference.

The resolution declared, inter alia: "The conference makes it clear that while it is opposed to Australian participation in overseas conflicts, it is also opposed to any effort of the present anti-labour Government to change the direction of the war by an aggressive act against any other country, with which we are not at war, including the Soviet Union."

**"UN-BRITISH"**  
Mr. Menzies described the resolution as "un-British" and added that it was tragic history that the Australian Labour Party's war policy was one of steady disintegration.

Mr. Curtin, Leader of the Australian Labour Party, interviewed in Canberra, said that his party regarded Germany as the Allies, and Australia's enemy, and that no State conference could alter the Federal Labour declaration made at the outset of the war.

"That declaration stands and every Labour is pledged to maintain Australia as an integral part of the Empire."

The Secretary of the Federal Labour Party pointed out that in passing the resolution the New South Wales Labour exceeded its powers.

The Federal Conference of the Australian Labour Party was the only body authorised to determine the war policy and its decisions bound all members of the Party.

### NEW GERMAN PROPAGANDA METHOD ENDS IN A FIASCO

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter) — The new German propaganda method yesterday ended in a fiasco.

From their side of the Rhine, the Germans launched a small boat the sides and masts of which were plastered with banners, according to French military circles, inscribed with "rude remarks" about the British.

Three German soldiers accompanied the boat which, when it came within range, was met with heavy fire from the French and sent to the bottom.

The three soldiers go, a wetting at least, if they did not lose their lives.

### NO BRITISH OR ALLIED SHIP SUNK IN A WEEK

#### Six Danish Losses

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter) — For the first time since the outbreak of the war, not a single British or Allied ship has been sunk by enemy action during the week ending at midnight on March 24.

Nazi efforts have been concentrated on neutral vessels. Eight neutral ships were sunk, six of them being Danish. None of these neutral ships were in convoy.

Meanwhile, the Labour Party generally is more suspicious of joining the Government since the Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain's recent refusal to repeal the Trade Disputes Act.

On the other hand, two German steamers were sunk by a British submarine off the Danish coast, outside territorial waters. They are the Edmund Hugo Stinnes and the Hedeserhjem.

In both instances, the crews are reported to be safe.

British Wireless adds that up to noon March 20, 28 ships had been lost in British convoys, out of a total of 13,873 British, Allied and neutral ships convoyed, representing one in 488. Only two neutral ships have been lost in convoy out of 1,851, or one in 925.

#### NEW BURST OF ENERGY

Commenting on the severe losses suffered by Denmark last week from German illegal U-boat warfare, which it says, seems to have taken on a new burst of energy, the Manchester Guardian remarks: "Danish ships were torpedoed without warning even when they carried the most obvious marks of their nationality and the care taken for the crew's safety can be seen in the loss of 68 lives. It is not as though the Danish ships were in a British convoy, which is the usual Nazi excuse; the Danish Foreign Office has denied it."

"The sinkings were outside the bounds of humanity and law, and the Danish press rightly compares the German methods with the solicitude of our submarines, in and around Kattegat, have shown for German crews. Though our victims were enemy merchantmen, they were given full benefit of international law which Germany denies to neutrals. Let us hope that the great difference between Germany and the Allies will now stand a little more clearly in neutral minds than it seems to have done of late."

### N.Z. PREMIER SINKING

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter) — The latest report regarding the condition of Mr. M. J. Savage, New Zealand Prime Minister, states that he is slowly sinking.

### SWEDEN INTERESTED IN SEA DEVELOPMENTS OFF SCANDINAVIA

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 26 (Reuter) — Huge headlines in the main newspapers testify to the intense interest with which Sweden is following the latest sea developments off Scandinavia.

"Whole British Destroyer Flotilla off Norwegian Coast" is one such heading.

Although some individual Swedes say that the German iron ore shipments through Norwegian waters must be stopped, at all costs, the more general sentiment, as expressed by the papers, is one of considerable sympathy for Norway's plight.

The Svenska Dagbladet publishes a statement on the affair by the Norwegian Foreign Minister, M. Koht, who is quoted as saying:

"These are grave violations of Norwegian neutrality but we must not forget that in every case the British warships withdrew after their illegal entry into our waters."

The Oslo correspondent of the Dagens Nyheter believes that the British warships off Norway, in addition to testing the effectiveness of the Norwegian neutrality patrol, are lying in wait for one particular ship.

### GREAT SERVICES TO UNIVERSITY: CHANCELLOR CONFERS LL.D. ON MR. ALFRED MORSE

#### Recipient Congratulated On High Promotion: Serious Loss To Colony

AT A SPECIAL CONGREGATION in the Great Hall of the Hongkong University yesterday, the Chancellor, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws (honoris causa) on Mr. Arthur Morse, J.P., of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, who has, since 1936, acted as Treasurer and chairman of the Finance Committee of the University.

IN HIS ADDRESS, His Excellency paid high tribute to the positive and constructive way in which Mr. Morse had directed the reorganisation of the University's finances in the past few years.

#### VICE-CHANCELLOR'S SPEECH

Prof. K. H. Digby, O. B. E., Acting Vice-Chancellor said: Mr. Chancellor, Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen: First of all, I wish to express our profound sympathy with the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. K. H. Digby, in his sad bereavement.

In his deeply regretted absence, it falls to me as the oldest and most decrepit member of the teaching staff to announce the occasion of our Congregation.

Mr. Arthur Morse has been our Treasurer since January 1936. He has brought his sagacity and financial experience to bear upon our problems. As Treasurer, and

as Chairman of the Finance Committee, his work for the University has been invaluable.

You know, the great Banking Institutions of the Far East have produced some pretty formidable personages. Mr. Morse is not one of those.

In earlier days when Mr. Morse was more visible to the public who thronged the central hall of the Bank building, lady customers would pay unnecessary visits just for a glimpse of his genial countenance.

And in recent years his cheerful friendliness has endeared him to all those members of the University with whom he has been in contact.

#### ONE GOOD EFFECT

The decree appointing the 1937 University Committee had one good effect: it led to an increase of Mr. Morse's interest in, and knowledge of, the University so that he became an even stancher friend and an even keener supporter than before.

In 1939 Mr. Morse spent much time as the Chairman of the University Sites Committee, and the fruits of these strenuous labours will be forthcoming in the years ahead.

So the Court of the University have decided that Mr. Morse's ungrudging services for the cause of higher education have merited the award of our Honorary Degree.

#### GRAVE RESPONSIBILITY

Those of us who are members of the Court have just been listening to Mr. Morse's last

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### EXPROPRIATION OF CATHOLIC CONVENTS

Special to H.K. Daily Press

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 26 (Havas)

Expropriation of Catholic convents is still continuing in Germany, according to the Deutsche Presse, a Catholic organ published in the German language.

Nazi circles here believe that the entire property of the Catholic Church in the Reich will be taken over after the war.

It is estimated that several million marks worth of Church property were seized by the State when Hellenthal Convent, Westphalia, was expropriated by

the Gestapo who arrested the Friar and sent him to Oranienburg concentration camp.

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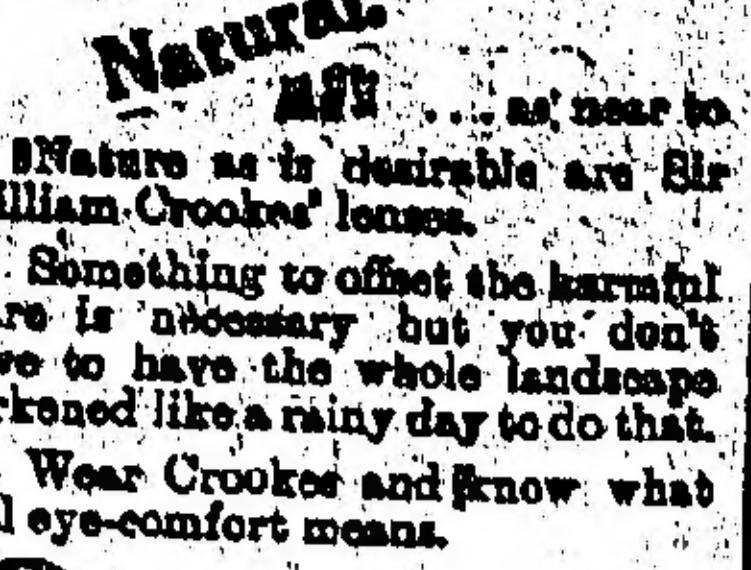
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### BULLYING BY ARMY CREATES NEW STIR IN DIET

TOKYO, Mar. 26 (Reuter) — Considerable stir appears to have been caused in political circles by certain strong remarks made in the Diet by Major-General Akira Moto, Director of the Military Affairs Bureau at the War Office and late Chief of Staff of General Homma in Tientsin.

His assertion that, if there exist in Japan a political party which is so engrossed in pushing partisan interests, that it appeared to be forgetful of the national policy, it should be dissolved if it stubbornly refused to reconsider its attitude, is generally assumed to be addressed to the Minseito Party in rebuke of its attitude in the recent Takeo Sankei case.

His speech was labelled as an "historic declaration" by the Nichi Shimbun for what he said was taken to indicate the unyielding attitude on the part of the Army towards the political parties and the Diet.

Dr. Maurice, J.P., LL.D.

### POLLING IN CANADA COMMENCES

#### MACKENZIE KING'S REQUEST

OTTAWA, Mar. 26 (Reuter) — Polling began in Canada today.

In the closing campaign last night, Mr. Mackenzie King, the Prime Minister, asked for a large Liberal majority in order that the Government, which took Canada into war, will see it to a victorious end.

Dr. Manning, Leader of the Conservative Party, said that if his Party was returned he would put in his Cabinet the best brains of the country.

The election is expected to be quiet although 6,500,000 people in Canada are entitled to vote. The weather conditions may result in a low poll.

Canadian soldiers and airmen in Britain started polling a week ago and the poll closes tonight. As soon as the ballot papers are counted the result will be cabled to Canada.

His references on the war policy are expected to be along the lines of the resolution passed by the Senate during the recent secret session.

Press commentators continue to ask for a rupture of relations with the Soviet.

### "Poor Have No Alternative But To Beg, Steal—Or Worse"

#### ENCOURAGING YEAR REPORTED AT SALVATION ARMY HOME

"Owing to war conditions in China, poverty is such in Hongkong that to earn an existence the poor have no alternative but to hawk—beg—steal—or worse," said Major Dorothy Brazier, Officer-in-Charge, in reviewing the work of the Salvation Army Home for Women and Girls, No. 2 Embankment Road, Kowloon, at the annual meeting yesterday. "To their credit the majority choose to hawk. It would appear that the police have been exceptionally lenient and very few arrests have been made among the juvenile girl hawkers."

Lady Noble, wife of H.E. the Commander-in-Chief, presided and there was a large attendance. With Lady Noble on the dais were Lady Pollock, Mrs. A. E. Grasset, Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, Mrs. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Brigadier William Darby, General Secretary, and Mrs. Darby.

Before the annual report was read, Brigadier Darby, in introducing Lady Noble, outlined the work of the Salvation Army in China with special reference to Shanghai, Hongkong and Canton.

He also read a letter from His Excellency the Governor assaying that H.E. and Lady Northcote greatly regretted that owing to previous engagements they were unable to be present at the meeting.

The Rev. J. E. Sandbach, of the English Methodist Church, opened the meeting with a prayer after which Major Brazier, presenting the annual report, said, in part:

"1939 was a generally encouraging year, many difficulties have been overcome, but the one unsolved problem is lack

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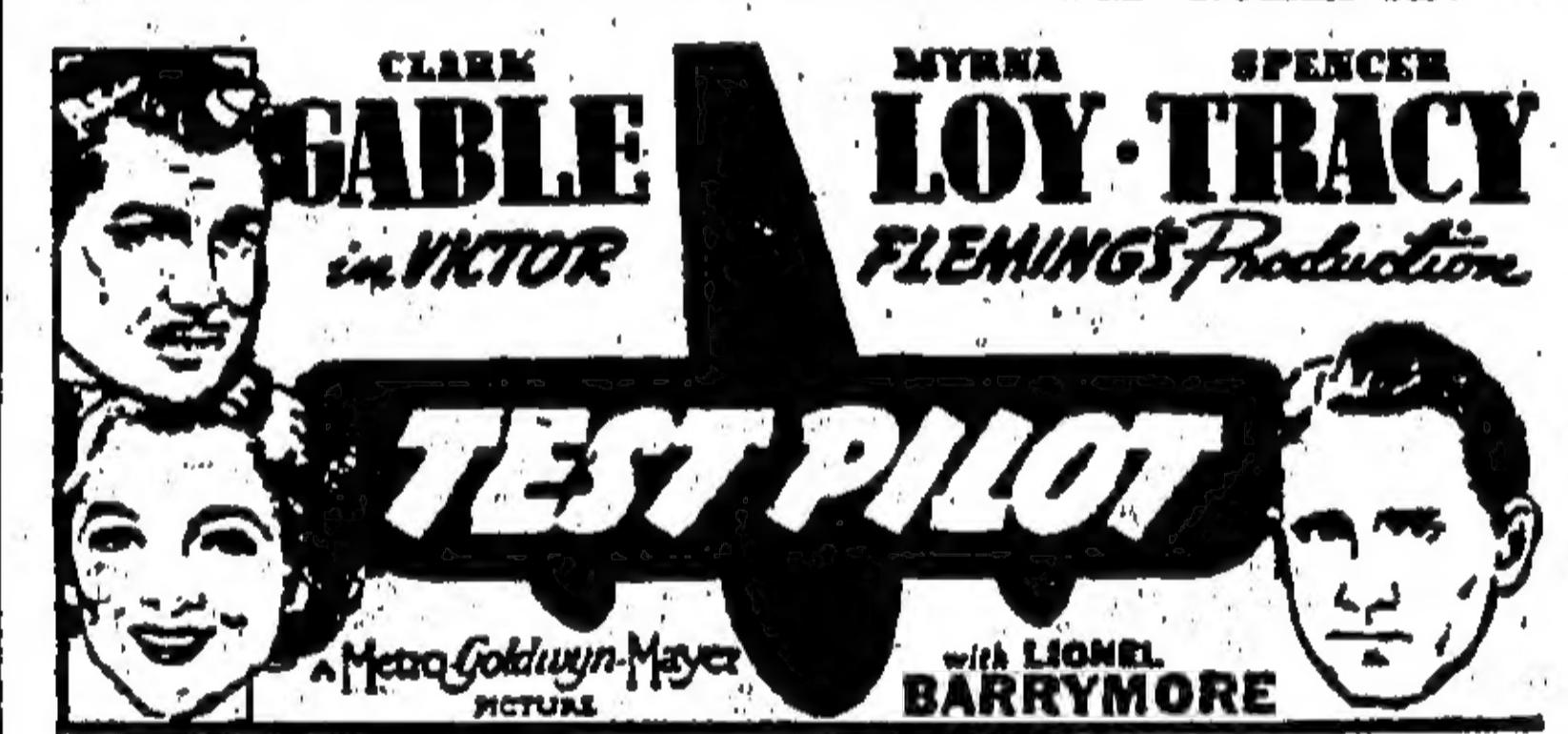
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## MEASURING STARS ALL OVER AGAIN BY PHOTOGRAPHY

FORT DAVIS, TEXAS: Prof. Henry Norris Russell, Director of Princeton Observatory and dean of American astronomers, has brought the symposium on astronomical problems, held in conjunction with dedication exercises of McDonald Observatory on Mount Locke, to a close by discussing problems in connection with stellar masses which Texas astronomers might well undertake with the world's second largest telescope.

In mass, stars range all the way from bodies no more solid than our atmosphere, to those where protons or the hearts of atoms are so closely packed a dog-house made of them would weigh more than the Empire State Building.

One of the most profitable lines of investigation of stellar masses in the near future, according to Prof. Russell would appear to be in remeasuring photographically all available visible pairs of stars for which reliable observations were made before 1870.

### CAREFUL WORK

In one of the principal papers, Dr. Cecilia Payne Gaposchkin of Harvard Observatory urged more careful work in the measuring of star brightness and determinations of colour. Dr. Gaposchkin is rated as one of the most distinguished woman astronomers in

the world. Together with her husband she has recently published a brilliant exposition of variable stars in a book by that title.

According to Dr. Otto Struve, director of the joint observatory enterprise between the Universities of Texas and Illinois, the work of the new instrument is already fairly well established.

Though at present second in size only to the 100-inch at Mt. Wilson, both are soon to be overshadowed by the 200-inch planned for Mt. Palomar.

There is no feeling of rivalry however, for each instrument will complement the work of the other two. The 82-inch, for example, will be employed mostly in studying unsolved problems in our own galaxy. One great value of the 100-inch lies in its ability to record distant galaxies (Christian Science Monitor).

## COMING EVENTS

MARCH

27-Tides: High 11.28 a.m.; Low 5.05 a.m., and 8.01 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.21 a.m.; Sunset: 6.37 p.m.  
Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg. 12 noon.  
Cheero Club, Gala Dance, 8.30 p.m.  
H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.  
Y.M.C.A.: Contract Bridge Class, 10 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal 6 p.m.  
China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg.  
King's Theatre Building, 12 noon.  
Triangular Hockey—Army v. H.K. Hockey Club, 5.15 p.m.  
French Convent: Charity Performance, 5.30 p.m.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; St. Andrew's (Medical), 10 a.m.  
Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.  
H.K. Medical Hqrs.: Meeting of Anti-Tuberculosis Assocn., 5 p.m.  
British Medical Assn. (H.K. and China Branch), Clinical Mtg., Queen Mary Hospital, 9 p.m.  
Queen's College Annual Sports Meeting.  
Colony Tennis Championships, Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild, 10 a.m.  
Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Annual Mtg., 5.30 p.m.  
S. and S. Home, General Committee Mtg., 5.30 p.m.  
Garrison Serbs' Mess, Whist Drive, 9.15 p.m.  
Christ Church: Wedding—Lee-Shea, 3 p.m.  
Lawn Bowls: H.E.'s team v. Prison Dept., 3.45 p.m.  
28-Tides: High, 12.50 a.m. and 12.08 p.m.; Low 5.35 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunrise: 6.20 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m.  
Chess Championship Continued.  
Legislative Council, 2.30 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. To Present "Housemaster" 9 p.m.; Badminton.  
H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.  
Peninsula Hotel, Harn Recital, 9.15 p.m.

French Convent: Charity Performance, 5.30 p.m.  
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 12 noon.  
H.K. Police Inspection by H.E. the Governor, 4.45 p.m.  
Cheero Club, Contract Bridge, Kowloon Tong Garden City Assn. Annual Mtg., 8 p.m.  
Sports Club, Annual Meeting, 5.30 p.m.  
Society of St. George, Annual Meeting, H.K. Jockey Club Room, 6.15 p.m.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.  
Social Service Centre Annual Mtg., St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.  
Colony Tennis Championships, Entries Close for H.K. Jockey Club's Third Extra Mtg., 12 noon.  
H.K. Y's Men's Club Mtg., 1 p.m.  
Speaker: Mr. S. S. Lien on "China's Economy."

29-Tides: High 1.55 a.m. and 12.50 p.m.; Low 6.06 a.m. and 8.06 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.20 a.m.; Sunset: 6.40 p.m.  
Institute of Engineers: Lecture on "Chemical Warfare," by Wing Com. A. H. Steele-Perkins.  
H.K. Police Dance in aid of B.W.O.P., Peninsula Hotel.

French Convent: Charity Performance, 5.30 p.m.

Colonial Marathon, Kowloon, 5 p.m.

"St. Andrew's Church Hall, Mahjongs Drive in aid of D.G.S. Building Fund.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. Presentation of "Housemaster" 9 p.m.; Games Morning, 10 a.m.

H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.

Diocesan Old Boys' Assn. Annual Mtg., Lo & Lo's Office, 5.30 p.m.

A.S. Watson and Co. Ltd., Annual Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 11.30 a.m.

Cheero Club, Darts, Table-Tennis and Billiards, Hongkong Club, Annual Mtg., 5.30 p.m.

H.K. University Alumni Assn. Annual Mtg., Gloucester Building, 5.30 p.m.

H.K. Lawn Bowls Assn. Annual Meeting.

St. Paul's Annual Sports, 1.30 p.m.

Colony Tennis Championships, Kowloon Union Church, Jumble Sale.

30-Tides: High 3.14 a.m. and 1.42 p.m.; Low 6.35 a.m. and 8.32 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.19 a.m.; Sunset: 6.41 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. Presentation of "Housemaster" 9 p.m.

H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.

Annual Children's Sports, Southern Playground, 2 p.m.

Lawn Bowls: U.S.R.C. v. Club de Recreio, Club de Recreio, 3.30 p.m.

H.K. Football Club, Dinner and Dance, H.K. Hotel.

Soccer: Shield Final, Cottage Club: Mounted Treasure Hunt, 3.30 p.m.

31-Tides: High 4.47 a.m. and 3 p.m.; Low 7.15 a.m. and 8.52 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.18 a.m.; Sunset: 6.42 p.m.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Redemption of Debentures.

Band Concert, Peninsula Hotel Lounge, 9 p.m.-11 p.m.

H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.

International Softball Series start, 2 p.m.

C.S.G.C. Mixed Doubles American Tennis Tournament, 2.30 p.m.

Leading articles in the Greek press emphasize the country's desire for independence and also her desire to live in peace with all the world within the ambit of the Balkan Entente.

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## Radio Programmes

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Eventide I Heard You Singing—New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis. Music of the Night (Black-Eye Coates) — John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accomp. The Rose—(Selection) of English Melodies—Sir Middleton—The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Green. K45 Studio—"Some Great Authors"—Si Macaulay.

The Fifth of a series of talks by Father Ryan, S.J. 9.05 Songs by Dennis Noble (Baritone).

The Devout Lover (Pollock and White) — with Piano accomp. The Shade of the Palm (from "Florodora" Stuart); Star of My Soul (from "The Gelsa" Jones) with Orchestra accomp.

9.15 London Relay—New Summary.

9.30 Talk on "The Voice of the Nas" recorded by Professor W. A. Sinclair.

9.45 Reginald Foote at the Organ.

Toy Land Medley—Intro: Teddy Bear's Picnic; Wedding of the Painted Doll; Parade of the Tin Soldiers; Punch and Judy Show; The Toy Train—with Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra, London.

Reminiscences of Primal—Intro: Indian Love Call; The Mountains: Chanson; The door of my Dreams; Rose Marie; Here comes the Band; That's Gold in Dem That Hills (Connor and Lisbon)—The Hill Billies with Their Novelty Accompaniment.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 Ambrose and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—We're Tops on Saturday Night (from "Soft Lights" and sweet music); Quickstep—Wood and Ivory; Fox-Trots—Anything Goes (from same); I Get a Kick Out of You (from "Anything Goes").

1.20 Reginald Dixon's Organ "Hits."

Dixon Hits No. 2—Intro: Call me Sweetheart; When I grow too old to dream; Rehearsing a Lullaby; In a Little Gypsy Tea Room; Me and the Old Folks at Home; The Oregon Trail. Dixon Hits No. 7—Intro: Is it True what they say about Dixie? Sweetheart; Let's Grow Old Together; The Touch of your lips; Lost; Lovely Lady; The Glory of Love.

1.30 Renter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Boocherini—Concerto in B Flat Major.

Paul Casals (Cello) and The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Landen Ronald.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 Rossini—Overture "Semiramide."

Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

6.14 Songs by Oscar Naizke (Bass).

The Song of Hybris: The Cretan (Elliott)—with Orchestra; Hear Me Ye Winds and Waves (Handel)—with Organ accomp. The Village Blacksmith (Longfellow-Weiss)—with Orchestra.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Compositions of Schubert.

Sonata in A Minor for Cello and Piano—Emmanuel Feuermann (Cello) and Gerald Moore (Piano); Schubert Waltzes—Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.

7.00 Miliza Korus (Soprano) and Mare Weber and His Orchestra.

Serenade (Mozart); The Maiden of Cadiz (Delibes); Miliza Korus (Soprano) with Orchestra; An Evening with Liszt (Urbach); Mare Weber and His Orchestra.

Tales From The Vienna Woods (Featured in the film "The Great Waltz" (Strauss); Miliza Korus (Soprano) with Orchestra; Faust—Selection (Gounod arr. Weber)—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 An English Programme.

Tom Jones—Selection (German)—Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Capt. George Miller.

One Kind Word (Charles-Dean); Still Love, Mary (Silver-Ramsay).

The Hon. W. Brownlow (Baritone) with Orchestra.

London Bridge (Eric Coates)—New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis.

The Children's Home (Wetherby and Cowen)—Catherine Stewart (Contralto) with Berkeley Mason at the Organ. Two Symphonic Rhapsodies (Eric Coates): I. I Pitch My Lonely Caravan; 2. Bird Songs at

7.30 P.M.—Close down.

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### NEWS IN ENGLAND

Transmission I—News Summary

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Pull Bulletin ..... 5.00 p.m.

Trans. II & III—News Summary

mary ..... 6.45 p.m.

Pull Bulletin ..... 7.30 p.m.

do ..... 9.15 p.m.

do ..... 12.00 mid-night

Transmission V—News Summary

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Pull Bulletin ..... 8.30 a.m.

## GENERAL

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 1940.

## STOLEN FROM THE SOUTH SEAS MAIDEN

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## Hullabaloo Raised Over Brenner Pass Talks Followed By Nazi Propaganda Lull: British Press Comments

LONDON, MAR. 26 (REUTER)—THE LULL IN NAZI PROPAGANDA, AFTER THE DARK HINTS OF SOMETHING BIG BREAKING OVER EASTER, IS THE SUBJECT OF COMMENT IN THE HOME PRESS.

Commenting on the Hitler-Mussolini meeting at Brenner Pass, the Manchester Guardian says that whenever the Dictators meet there is a hullabaloo, if nothing else. Such tactics are an integral part of Nazi technique.

The paper warns, however, that rumours are not always false.

The Labour paper, Daily Herald, takes a somewhat similar view. Dr. Goebbels, it says, promised that the whole face of Europe would be changed this week-end. Well, it looks much the same and there has been no earthquake.

## ACTIVE &amp; ALERT

The French and British peoples, however, are absolutely determined that their two countries should be active and alert.

Herr Hitler has not attacked the Balkans yet, but his emissaries are bullying and intriguing and this time the French and British Governments have been forewarned that they must be prepared for any emergency.

## DIPLOMATIC TUSSE

The News Chronicle says that a diplomatic tussle is in progress which may have great effects on the war as a major military campaign.

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## GENERAL

## PAVED THE WAY FOR MARCONI

## DEATH OF FAMOUS FRENCH SCIENTIST

PARIS, Mar. 26 (Hayas)—Death claimed yesterday, at the age of ninety-six, the famous scientist, Prof. Edouard Branly, who, through his research work, laid down bases for radio reception and transmission and paved the way for Marconi.

## MANY DEGREES

M. Branly, who was a professor in the Paris Catholic University, devoted the whole of his life to science and held degrees of Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Physical Sciences and Doctor of Mathematics.

His best known discovery was that of the "Fledust Goherer," which led to the discovery of the radio reception tube.

At the end of the last century, M. Branly noted that an electric spark would provoke an agglomeration of fledust placed in the vicinity of an electric emitter. Thus, the possibility of detecting distant electric phenomena leading to wireless transmission was discovered.

The French Government has decided to accord a national funeral for Prof. Branly.

## EXTENT OF DAMAGE IN SYLT RAID

## TANKS, BARRACKS SET ON FIRE

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—In the course of the R.A.F. raid on Sylt on Mar. 18, it is learned from the Air Ministry, direct hits were obtained on hangars, a jetty, the light railway and other parts of the base. Oil storage tanks and barracks were set on fire.

## SUCCESS CONFIRMED

The reconnaissance flight on Mar. 20 confirmed the success of the operation.

Owing to atmospheric conditions no satisfactory photographs were obtained.

Only one British machine failed to return.

## FALSE NAZI CLAIMS

The Air Ministry announced yesterday that the claims now made by the Official German News Agency to the effect that a considerable number of British aircraft were lost in the attack on Sylt are wholly false. As already announced, only one British aircraft engaged in the operation failed to return to its base.

## PLUNDER OF NEUTRALS

The Daily Telegraph says that North, South, East and West the Nazi aim is to plunder neutral peoples.

For the Scandinavian countries,

Holland and Belgium, the murder

of their merchant seamen and

the destruction of their ships are

instruments of torture.

In the Balkans and the Danube,

the Nazis at present prefer

blackmail and open murder.

The pistol is in the pocket, although

its bulge is flaunted. The Balkans

need not fear it if they resolve

to maintain their security with

determination and force and to

stand up against aggression.

Large Allied forces are ready

in the Eastern Mediterranean

to meet whatever is needed of it.

## GERMAN LIES

The Daily Mail complains that we let German lies win a victory over the Syt raid. It is imperative that those immediately in charge be prepared, at any hour of the day or night, to counter the enemy's lies. The paper feels that the War Cabinet itself should deal with this matter at once.

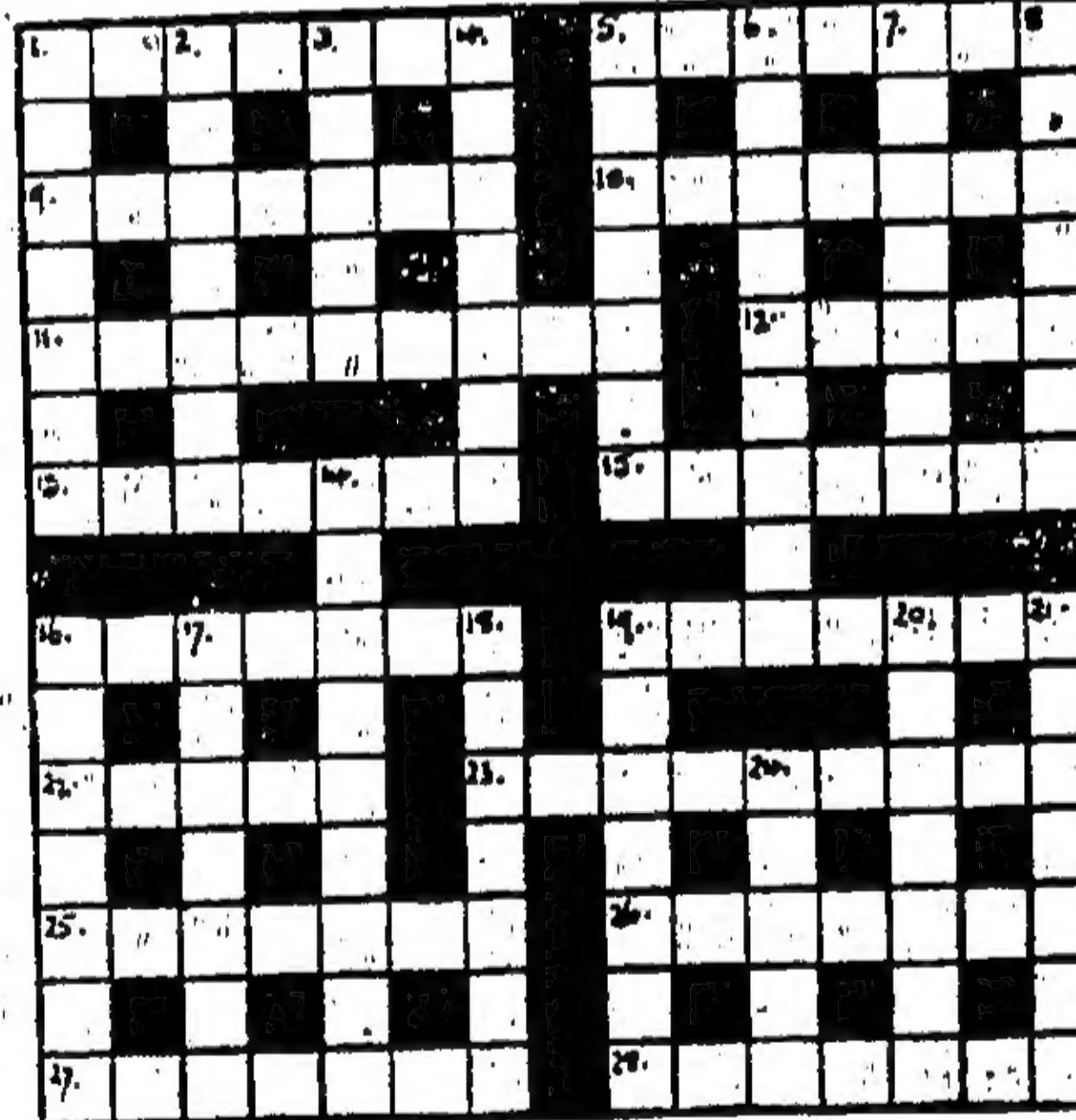
The fact that the vessel is only

half the normal size is also ex-

pected to make it a more difficult

mark for Germans trying to put

it out of action.

CROSSWORD  
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## ACROSS

- This doctor had a tragical history.
- Unsightly spots.
- A charnel-house.
- There was always something queer about this great Australian bowler.
- The Ring and the Book (not Browning).
- A small bay.
- Epithet for the rodent.
- A stealer in person.
- Tells of a stealer.
- My dear Lady—(Much Ado).
- Complete.
- This makes Mother late.
- The lady's maid sounds like a long drink.
- A kind of pigeon.
- Quite an important person at an Inn.
- It sounds a capital letter and should bring its reward.
- DOWN
- Not the sort of glass for a hot-house.

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## Electrical Phenomenon In U.S.A.

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—A violent electrical disturbance, involving a sun spot on the Aurora Borealis, resulted in a break down of communications in the United States on Sunday, the trans-Atlantic short-wave telephone being out of action for over 12 hours.

Damage to telegraph landlines re-

sulted in about one-million Easter messages being held up.

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## Large Increase In Orders For H.K. & Whampoa Dock Co.: Annual General Meeting

THE LARGE INCREASE IN ORDERS RECEIVED BY THE H.K. AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD., as a direct result of the war in Europe was mentioned by the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, chairman of directors, at the annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Company at the Company's town office in Queen's Building yesterday.

## Escort Girl's Complaint

### ALLEGED DEMAND FOR MONEY WITH THREATS

An escort girl, named Tong Ying, appeared as complainant before Mr. T. J. Houston, at the Central Court yesterday, when three men were charged with two counts of demanding money.

#### THE CHARGES

The men were Ho Lin, 25, unemployed, Ng Pun, 24, office boy, and Tong Hon, 25, salesman. They were alleged to have conspired to demand money from Tong Ying, with menaces, and demanding money with intent to steal.

They pleaded not guilty and were represented by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ.

Detective-Sgt. Forrest, who prosecuted, said that the complainant was an escort girl of the Wai Kuan Escort Bureau. About 3 p.m. on March 13, the three defendants went to the bureau and asked to see the complainant. They then accused her of owing them \$10 and demanded payment to be made in the Ko Shing tea house two hours later.

Tong Ying reported the incident to the police and a detective accompanied her to the tea house. No one of the defendants were there when the complainant arrived.

#### MARKED NOTE

About 4 p.m. on the following day, a man named Tong telephoned to the complainant and asked that the money be handed over at the tea house the same night.

Tong Ying then went to see Sgt. Forrest and was given certain instructions, and a marked \$10 note.

Arriving at the tea house, complainant handed the money to the first defendant. When he had received the banknote, a detective came up and arrested the party. Following further evidence, hearing was adjourned to April 4.

## POLICE OFFICER'S WIFE VICTIM OF SNATCHING

Mrs. Dewar, wife of Sergeant H. B. Dewar, of the Hongkong Police, was a victim of a handbag snatching incident in Des Voeux Road Central on Monday.

She was walking with her husband and was outside Whiteway's building when Yung Kwo approached and snatched her handbag. Sgt. Dewar gave chase and arrested Yung.

Before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday Yung was charged with larceny. He was sentenced to six months' hard labour and was also recommended for banishment.

#### ANOTHER CASE

Sentence of four months' hard labour was imposed on Chan Fook, 20, unemployed, when he was charged before Mr. R. Edwards, at the Central Court yesterday and pleaded guilty to the theft of a handbag from a young girl.

The complainant, Fong Chiu-wan, was walking along Wellington Street on Monday when the defendant snatched her handbag. He was arrested after a short chase.

Chan was also recommended for banishment.

## St. Andrew's Branch Of V.D.M.A.

The annual general meeting of St. Andrew's Church Branch of the Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association will be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Tuesday, April 2, commencing at 8.45 p.m.

A talk will be given by the Rev. Charles Higgins, of the American Episcopal Church, on "Progress of the Church in China Under War-time Conditions."

All members and their friends and all who are interested are cordially invited to attend.

Light refreshments will be served after the talk.

## CANTON ROTARY CLUB'S TSUNG FA BUNGALOW

### Film Of Opening Shown To H.K. Rotarians

Mr. Dodwell said, in proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, said, in part:—

The gross profit of \$1,585,533.19 is rather less than that of the last two years. I trust you will consider that net profit of \$1,109,214.62 to be satisfactory. Stocks of materials are adequate, are conservatively valued and in view of the rises brought about by the War we do not consider it necessary to appropriate any of the year's profit to write them down.

The overdraft is only very slightly reduced from last year's figure, mainly attributed to developments to which I shall refer later. Depreciation is at the usual rates and is slightly higher in total than last year, due to increase of our facilities.

#### REPAIR WORK

The year under review had no outstanding characters until the start of the War in Europe. We were fairly well employed with repair work and were happy to start the year with orders for two ships and a little later secured the order for third. Of the first two, the Karuah was delivered to owners before the promised date, the construction of the others has been somewhat affected by the bungalow.

We also received an order in early September for a 5,000 ton ship with larger main propelling diesel engine than we have yet built. Material for this ship have been sown in arriving and the pause has been utilised in getting ready for three large cargo ships which we are to build. To deal with a portion of this order the

## Port Restrictions For Black-out In April

### INSTRUCTIONS TO MARINERS

A blackout will take place in Hongkong on the night of April 11–12, and the following is issued on request from the Director of Air Raid Precautions for the information of shipping:—

The Port of Hongkong will be closed from sunset April 11 until sunrise April 12 and no ships will be allowed to enter or leave.

Certain lights, lighthouses and light buoys will be extinguished on the night April 11–12.

#### FOUR PERIODS

The exercise will be divided into four periods as follows:—

Period (1)—From sunset to the sounding of the first "air raid warning" signal.

Period (2)—From the first "air raid warning" signal to the first "raiders passed" signal.

Period (3)—From the first "raiders passed" signal to the second "air raid warning" signal.

Period (4)—From the second "air raid warning" signal to the second "raiders passed" signal.

#### LIGHTING RESTRICTIONS

During these periods the following lighting restrictions will be enforced:—

#### SHIPPING & WATERCRAFT

During period (1)—Lighting must be reduced to the minimum and arrangements must be made so that all lights can be obscured or extinguished within three minutes.

Navigation and riding lights should remain alight.

During period (2)—All lights including navigation and riding lights must be extinguished, and all movements of shipping and other craft must cease during this period.

N.B.—Should any ships, etc. be under way when the first "air raid warning" signal is sounded, they should proceed with navigation lights alight to the nearest safe anchorage or jetty, and after either anchoring or securing, navigation and riding lights must be extinguished.

During period (3)—Movements of shipping will be permitted, but only navigation and riding lights must be shown. All other lights must be either extinguished or obscured.

During period (4)—Movements of shipping may be resumed but

## GENERAL

## British War Organisation Fund, H.K.

### ANOTHER SHIPMENT GOING FORWARD

Another consignment of work from Hongkong consisting of 9 cases of hospital requisites, and 6 cases of woolen comforts, 2 to the Naval Comforts Depot and 4 to the Army Depot, are being despatched to England free of charge by the courtesy of the Glen Line, in cases presented by the British American Tobacco Company.

#### GENEROUS GIFT

An interesting item in the list of donations to the Fund this week is \$103.25 from the Sanitary Department Subordinate Staff's Club. When it is realized that this sum was subscribed spontaneously by the scavenging and cleansing coolies, refuse bargemen and their overseers, Motor Drivers, artisans and labourers of various kinds, it will be appreciated that this is a very generous gift.

#### LATEST SUBSCRIPTIONS

The latest list of Subscriptions to the Fund includes \$1,000 from the Pawnbrokers' Association, \$854.08 proceeds of football match per Chinese Athletic Federation, \$500 from HKADG, profit on performance of "The Circle," \$500 from Kowloon Docks Centre, \$210.50 from some members of the staff of Jardine, Matheson & Co. (Feb.), \$200 from the students of St. Stephen's College, Stanley, and \$150 from Mr. Li Heung-kuk.

The total of the Fund is now \$436,304.

Previously acknowledged \$432,550.27; Li Heung-kuk, 150; Tang Hong-nin, 20; Football Match per Chinese Athletic Federation, \$54.08; Lai Sui, 4; Hoy Loy Oi So Kai, 36.90; Pawnbrokers' Association, 1,000; Kowloon Plants Exhibition 10; Davis Brooke & Gray (monthly) 20; Lam Fook Lye (monthly) 20; John Forbes (monthly) 25; D. C. Davis (monthly) 25; Anonymous 10; Sanitary Department Subordinate Staff Club 103.25; M. G. Carruthers (monthly) 30; Eldon Potter (monthly) 20; (P.R.C.) Wapinshaw 15; D. W. Hume (monthly) 10; J. S. HKADG, profit on "The Circle" \$500; Jill & Joe Davis in Memory of J. H. Roberts, 20; Students of St. Stephen's College, Stanley 200; Kowloon Centre 500; Rev. T. A. and Mrs. Broadfoot (monthly) 5; Some members of the Staff of Jardine, Matheson & Co. (Feb.) 210.50; D. C. Edmondston (monthly) 100; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Fraser 5; Total: \$436,304.

#### BANKER'S ORDER

D. C. Edmondston (monthly) \$100.

**H.K. POLICE RESERVE**

William Tell, Overture, Rossini. Valse Lento and Pizzicatti, Debussy. Follow the Fleet, Selection, Bertrand. Berceuse de Jocelyn, Godard. Soloist: A. Krassoff. Unfinished Symphony (1st Movement), Schubert.

**INTERVAL**

Valse Paraphrase, Chopin-Schott. Polonaise, Aransky. Solo Two Pianos, Mr. and Mrs. G. Pio-Uiski. Spanish Dance No. 4, Moszkowski. Ghost of the Warrior, Grossman. Madame Butterfly, Selection, Puccini. God Save The King.

## H.K. YOUTH SENT TO PRISON

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

## ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

MISCELLANEOUS PROCEEDINGS NO. 11 OF 1940.

IN THE MATTER of MELCHERS & CO.  
Agents Norddeutscher Lloyd Bremen (In  
Liquidation)

and

IN THE MATTER of the Alien Enemies  
(Winding-Up) Ordinance No. 28 of 1914 Section  
13, Subsection 1.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court by Order  
dated the 8th day of March, 1940 DIRECTED that all claims  
to the goods particulars whereof are as follows:

MARKS	SPECIFICATION	Date of Arrival
A S 300 O Brahn 0/17/2-5	4 drums Hardening Salts AS 300 C	8. 8. 38
A S 220 C Brahn 0/17/6-9	4 drums Hardening Salts AS 220 C	"
H	1 case "E. Merck" Bismuth-Subnitrate white Powder	"
L / M / D 8 319 C. BRAHN 0/17/1	1 case cgt. 4 Pyrometer Armatures for Hardening Furnaces with connection cables but without recording instrument	"
DEFAG 176333 I/G 151354 F.R.	1 case Ozalid Paper (for copying Blue Prints) 1 case cgt. 30 x abt. 2 lb. tins Sinius Super Turquoise Blue	"
CC TUL Finschaffen L.M. 18/11 L O 555 289/8/7/8 I A Swatow	1 case Hand Mirrors (30 doz. pieces)	30. 8. 38
M Y H O 7037 Haliphong	1 bundle cgt. 8 pieces Copper Rods	"
D. Bremethaven N.L. 3572 Ship Store Shanghai	4 cases Swatow Song Records	16. 4. 37
CHAMPION No Mark or Nos.	2,000 bags Sodium Nitrate crystals 517 bags Saltpetre	13. 7. 39 14. 4. 39
E G L B Hong Kong	1 case "Eagle" Brand Milk	22. 2. 39
Siemen China, Kunming, No. 8/471.	1 lot of spare parts for motor KD 18 Z. Cyl. Liners, fuel valves, valve levers, piston rings, etc.	21. 7. 39
No Mark H C P F Haliphong N S H 11864 N S H 11863 Haliphong	1 bale book paper 1 personal Leather Trunk	20. 11. 37 13. 7. 39
B C 6154	1 case Stationery (carbon paper, pencils, etc.)	13. 7. 39
Z M 1554 3	1 case Machinery	13. 7. 39
Z M 1554 4	4 Antematic Milling Machines for mass-production "GT 105/459" Manuf. "HELLER"	"
Z M 1554 2	1 case—do—	"
Z M 1554 1	1 case—do—	"
O K 60152 1/16	6 bags Bolts and Nuts	"
—do—	11 bags Dogspikes for fixing rails	"
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Z M 1868 1/2 Kunfa	2 Cases Heavy Precision Multitool Finishing Lathes, semi-automatic, with hydraulic feeds, all electric drive, Type GS 104 (GS4)	"
Z O 2038 BBG/SW	1 Case—28 Bundles Copper Wire	"
No Mark	1 Case Tool Steel (small circular saws for milling machines)	6. 10. 38
R R C ST 274/STOCK	1 Iron Framework (scrap metal)	23. 10. 38
No Mark 11 White	1 Case Hair Water	7. 1. 38
T 2202 F No. 1	1 Round Iron Bar	25. 1. 39
G R M 268 E S M Swatow 4004	7 Pieces Rails	16. 2. 39
INR4375 SINTOON No. MACAO 99189	1 Case Gal Salt (Lexington salt)	6. 7. 39
Red Ends W 578 182	1 Case Chlorodyne	8. 5. 39
46300 1/16 Swatow	1 Case Machinery (Motor-Coll)	13. 5. 37
No Mark No. Mark	1 Bundle—7 Flat Steel Bars	4. 9. 37
K W H B 1	1 Bundle Galv. Iron Wire (old and rusty)	"
16 cases China Ware (Porcelain Buttons)	12. 5. 38	
6 pieces Galv. Iron Tubes	20. 3. 39	
7 packages Round Iron Bars	14. 4. 39	
1 Case cgt. 10 pcs. Brass Hollow Rollers with steel ends	11. 5. 39	

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Sealed tenders are invited covering the period 1st May, 1940, to 31st March, 1941, for quantities of Waste Paper that may be periodically accumulated in H.M. Naval Yard, Hong Kong.

2. The paper to be collected weekly each Wednesday by Contractor from a central point in H.M. Naval Yard,

3. The paper will consist mainly of small pieces, but no balance of Profit & Loss A/C as guarantee can be given as to the recommended by the Directors, quality or quantity that may be available each week.

4. The contractor will be required to provide his own sacks for the removal of the paper.

5. Quotations will be received until noon on 8th April, 1940, and should be forwarded to the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Naval Yard.

6. The right is reserved of accepting or declining any tender.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE CHINA PROVIDENT  
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Notice to Shareholders.

THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1940, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,  
Secretary & Manager.

Hong Kong, 11th March, 1940.

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The Daily Press  
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JAPAN:  
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RECENT FOREIGN NEWS agency dispatches from Japan compose a uniform picture of a nation under great strain both economically and morally. A perusal of the mail service issued from Tokyo by Hayas, an organization which has been more consistently well-disposed towards the Japanese than any other press service, covering only three days, March 15, 17 and 18, shows what is occupying the eyes and minds of observers and of the Japanese people themselves. In their main features, the few cases given, represent a fair cross section of the condition of the "Mistress of East Asia" after two and a half years of "victories" on the continent.

THE PLIGHT OF INDUSTRY is simply characterized by a message reporting that over 60 factories "having found market conditions in Japan overcrowded and hoping for an easier supply of labour and fuel" will move their offices and plant to "Manchukuo" during 1940-41. The Meiji Sugar Manufacturing Company will not expand its plant within the country but will erect new works in Shanghai. These instances prove that the economic consequences of unsuccessful aggression are forcing Tokyo to abandon its plan of making the occupied territories of China purely a colonial raw-material base, and that Japanese workers, instead of benefiting from the "riches" conquered by the blood of their brothers and sons in the army, will be cast out of employment by the scramble of manufacturers to benefit from the relative freedom from restrictions and cheaper labour of the subjugated regions of China.

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Hong Kong, 14th March, 1940.

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## Anglo-French Unity Will Be Kernel Of Future Europe GUARANTEE TO BALKANS BY SOVIET

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—According to the Budapest radio, the newspaper *Fester Lloyd*, mouthpiece of the Hungarian Government, admitted that discussions concerning a Russian guarantee for the states of South-Eastern Europe are proceeding.

## ITALY'S POSITION

Commenting on Count Teleki's talks, a Rome paper, referring to the report that such a guarantee was one of the topics, says it is true that conversations of this nature have been proceeding. "It is further a fact that the effect on South-Eastern Europe of German-Russian Italian co-operation was discussed, but there is no reason for Italy to indulge in undue haste. Italy's policies are founded on sound principles and Italy, therefore, is in a position to wait as long as she wants to wait."

## STRONG CHINESE STAND AGAINST JAPANESE DRIVE IN SOUTH ANHWEI

TUNKI, ANHWEI, March 26 (Central)—With the support of planes and artillery, a Japanese detachment attacked the Chinese positions at Wuyishan, north-west of Chihchien, in South Anhwei, last Sunday. The Japanese were alleged to have also used gas. Close-quarter combats took place, but the Chinese held their ground.

LIUCHOW, Mar. 26 (Central)—Japanese troops defeated at Ling-shan, in West Kwangtung, are withdrawing by three routes. One column is retreating westward to Nanning, a second column westward to Slutung and a third column southward to Yamchow.

## DRIVES FAIL

NANYANG, HONAN, March 26 (Central)—The Japanese near Sinyang, in South Honan, have launched a southward drive.

One column striking from Liu-linchin, south of Sinyang, suffered a serious setback as a result of stiff Chinese resistance. Another column struck at Chinkwan, on the Honan-Huehpu border. Both columns converged on Panshantien, south of Loshan, a few days ago, but were beaten by the Chinese. Panshantien, after a brief Japanese occupation, was recaptured by the Chinese.

The third column advancing on Wuchiapo along the Sinyang-Loshan highway was repulsed.

## WUYUAN RECOVERED

SOMEWHERE IN WEST SHU-YUAN, Mar. 26 (Central)—After two months under Japanese occupation, Wuyuan, important city in West Shuyuan, was recaptured by Chinese forces.

The Chinese have also recovered another point, Shishanchui, east of Wuyuan, and are now continuing their advance toward Ullashan.

## Chinese Militia Repulse Japanese Attempt To Land At Namtau

SHUMCHUN, Mar. 25 (C.I.C.)—The Japanese, who made a serious attempt to penetrate into the Shumchun area from Namtau, met with more determined resistance than they expected. After two days, fighting, the invaders were forced to retreat and finally to re-embark on their ships.

Their first check came when the local militia opposed them at Shatau. This local militia is under the command of the magistrate, Mr. Heng Yu-Sam, and, while intended for the maintenance of law and order, was capable of resisting the invaders and delaying their advance towards Shumchun for several hours.

## BRITISH-WATERS VIOLATED?

The Japanese, during the night of Thursday and Friday, attempted to force the Chinese troops away from the neighbourhood of the border of the New Territories and, according to one report, violated British waters in order to land from rubber boats towed by launches in the region of Shau-tau.

By this time the troops of Gen. Wong Yuk-chau had arrived and repulsed the landing and, in turn, sought to cut the invaders off from Namtau and drive them towards the interior in the direction of Pingshan.

The Chinese field Commander, Chok Wing-Kei, apparently anticipated that another column of regulars assisted by guerrillas would be advancing towards the coast and that the Japanese would be caught between two fires.

## FRENCH PREMIER INTERVIEWED

LISBON, Mar. 26 (Havas)—The Franco-British bloc, which has been consolidating since the beginning of the war, will be the kernel of the future Europe, declared the French Premier, M. Paul Reynaud, in an interview published by the *Diario de Notícias* here.

## RECENT MEASURES

The recent measures for tightening up economic co-operation between Paris and London are not mere technical or military interest," he said. "They are an expression of a desire unparalleled in history, for collaboration between the two peoples and this allows for the hope that, after the war, Europe will be rebuilt upon lasting bases without too great difficulties."

A Portuguese pressman asked whether there would be a United States of Europe, to which the Premier answered: "Why not?"

## SWEDEN'S "KEEP OUT OF WAR" POLICY HAD SUPPORT OF PEOPLE: READY TO ORGANISE FOR NORDIC PROTECTION

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—Sweden's readiness "to collaborate in the examination of the project for a Northern Alliance," was reaffirmed by M. Hansson, the Prime Minister, in a broadcast last night.

He added that at the same time it was necessary to draw attention to the danger of giving birth to popular ideas which did not correspond with the real situation.

M. Hansson, after revealing that

Sweden told Finland as long ago as mid-October that she could not count on direct Swedish military intervention in the event of war, declared that it was necessary to make an end, once and for all, of the speculations suggesting that the resources of the north might be mobilised for other ends than defence against attacks on the north's peace and independence.

## THE ONLY SLOGAN

Only the slogan "Peace at Home and for the Country" could rally the Nordic people and, in accordance with it, they would deliberate how to organise their efforts for common protection.

Mr. Harry Woodring, Secretary for War, is expected to make a statement covering the sales of American aircraft abroad.

## 500 AIRCRAFT FOR ALLIES

## LATEST TYPE IN UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—The United States defence authorities are understood to be prepared to permit the sale to

the Allies of 500 of the latest type of aircraft.

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## SALE URGED

Urging the sale of the latest type of planes to the Allies, the New York *Herald-Tribune* writes: "We have just witnessed the triumphal results of a policy of pushing every possible aid to Finland except the sort of aid the Finns really needed."

## FIRM LINE

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—The Scandinavian press takes a firm line over the Soviet attempt to stop the formation of a Nordic Defence Alliance.

Typical of this attitude is that of the Conservative Swedish paper *Svenska Dagbladet*, which protests that surely the Soviet Government does not think it can interfere with sovereign states which discuss common defence measures, even if it does have the support of certain organs of the German press.

## RECEIVES ITALIAN AMBASSADOR

PARIS, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—M. Paul Reynaud, the French Premier, on Sunday received the Italian Ambassador in Paris.

The French Ambassador in Rome left the Italian capital for Paris on Sunday morning.

## AMERICAN SHIP RELEASED

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—The American export liner *Exhibitor* (5,000 tons), which was intercepted by the British Contraband Control at Gibraltar some weeks ago and detained at Malta has now been released with her entire cargo of iron destined for Turkey, according to an Ankara despatch.

It is reported that the Allies have undertaken not to interfere in future with Turkey's iron imports from America.

## CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—The will of the late Lord Tweedsmuir makes only one bequest of a public nature. Lord Tweedsmuir directed his trustees to hand over to the National Library of Scotland "all the books in my library dealing with the Marquis of Montrose, which the National Library may desire."

NEW YORK, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—Lord III, grandson of Mr. Henry Ford, is about to enter the Catholic Church and is now receiving instruction. Aged twenty-three, he is a Senior of Yale University and a Director of the Ford Motor Company.

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—Mary Thompson of Bridlington, who found a new type of Nazi torpedo, which was washed ashore, and which is now being examined by the Admiralty, hopes to be the first to claim the £5 reward recently announced by the Admiralty for discoveries of this kind.

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—The Captain of the *Ostpreussen* has decided to call in the help of a salvage steamer. Yesterday deck cargo was flung overboard but it was still impossible to re-load the vessel under her own power.

## Waziristan Bad Hats Dispersed

## ACTION AGAINST CRIMINAL GANGS

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—All quiet in Waziristan sums up the present position, with operations in the Ahmedzai salient where cleaning up operations against trans-border bad characters were begun on Feb. 22.

## HEAVY CASUALTIES

Though it is still too early to forecast a lasting improvement, it is evident that the heavy casualties sustained by the raiding gangs had a sobering effect.

The gangs in question consisted mainly of criminals and outlaws and they have been using the Ahmedzai district as a base for their operations.

## NEW TYPE OF LIGHTSHIP

Special to H.K. Daily Press

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Havas)—A new type of lightship was launched at Yarmouth and will be placed in service shortly.

Lights from the ship burn automatically for two months without attention and new vessels will replace lightships manned by crews which have suffered heavily from German raids.

## S'HAI INTERPORT RUGBY PLAYER KILLED

SHANGHAI, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—Reuter regrets to announce that news has just been received here that Peter Elix, a Norwegian subject and formerly of Reuter's Far Eastern staff, was killed recently as a result of the torpedoing of the Norwegian ship in which he was living in European waters.

Full details of the incident have not been received.

The late Peter Elix used to be well-known in Far Eastern sporting circles as a Shanghai Inter-port rugby player.

## Spring

**THE HONG KONG PENINSULA HOTEL; EMPULSE BAY HOTEL; ASTOR HOUSE; PALACE HOTEL; HOTELS LIMITED.**

In association with the Grand Hotel de Wagons Lits, Peking.

## IMPRESSIONS OF PACIFIC CONGRESS

Mr. P. T. Chen, Director of the Economic Research Department of the Central Bank of China and Chinese delegate to the Institute of Pacific Relations, spoke on "My Impressions of the Pacific Congress" at a joint meeting of the English Club, the Political Science Club and the Economics Society of Canton University on Monday. Mr. Chen said, in part:

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:

Mr. Chadr. John Charles Michael Grenham, of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Reserve, H.M.S. Cornflower, and Miss Olive Jones, of "Austinleigh," Cork, Eire.

Mr. Edward Harrison, missionary teacher, Chai Tung, Yunnan, and Miss Isabel Mountain, of Mount Royd, Pickering, Yorkshire, England.

## TWO WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

The weddings took place yesterday at the Registry, Supreme Court, of Mr. Clive Vator Jensen, of the Hongkong Mines, Ltd., Lin-mahang, New Territories, and Miss Natalia Alexeeva Brilova, of No. 27 Ventris Road, and Mr. Chew Sin-sheung, merchant, of No. 3 Cheungshawan Road, and Miss Wong Wai-nui, of No. 378 Hennessy Road.

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## HUSBAND GAOL'D: WIFE DISCHARGED

Chen Cheung a woman, was discharged when she was found Not Guilty, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell, on two counts of uttering forged banknotes. Her husband, Chui Wai, was found Guilty on the charge of possession and was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

Mr. J. P. Murphy prosecuted, and the jurymen were Messrs. M. F. Key (foreman), A. C. Xavier, Kwan Mok-chung, S. M. Mack, J. G. Marshall, E. Manning and B. Naess.

## TRAFFIC OFFENCES

Mr. M. P. Pugh, residing at the Peninsula Hotel, was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday for driving a motor car without an appropriate driver's licence in Ice House Street on March 5 and was fined \$10.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on Mrs. A. Tobias, of No. 74 Macdonald Road, and Miss Julia Pun, residing at No. 4 Seymour Terrace, for leaving their cars unattended in Chater Road on March 9.

Mr. E. Roche was fined \$5 for permitting his car to remain in Des Voeux Road Central longer than necessary.

## BALLOON BARRAGE EXTENSION

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuter)—The balloon barrage in Britain is rapidly being extended and a large number of volunteers between the ages of 18 and 45 have been asked for.

## LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received  
instructions

to sell by

## PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Friday, the 28th March, 1940

commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at "Matsubara Hotel" No. 20, Ice  
House Street.

A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE  
also

One Combination Safe

On View from Thursday, the 27th  
March, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.  
AUCTIONEERS

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## PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Friday, the 29th March, 1940  
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 36 Han-  
kow Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE  
CURIOS

Comprising:-

Old Porcelain and Pottery, Han  
Bronze and Jade Ware, Carved  
Ivory and Jade Ornaments, Ivory  
and Jade Inlaid Cabinets and  
Screens, Silk Embroideries, Em-  
brodered Pictures, Scrolls, Lac-  
quered Ware, etc., etc.

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AUCTIONEERS

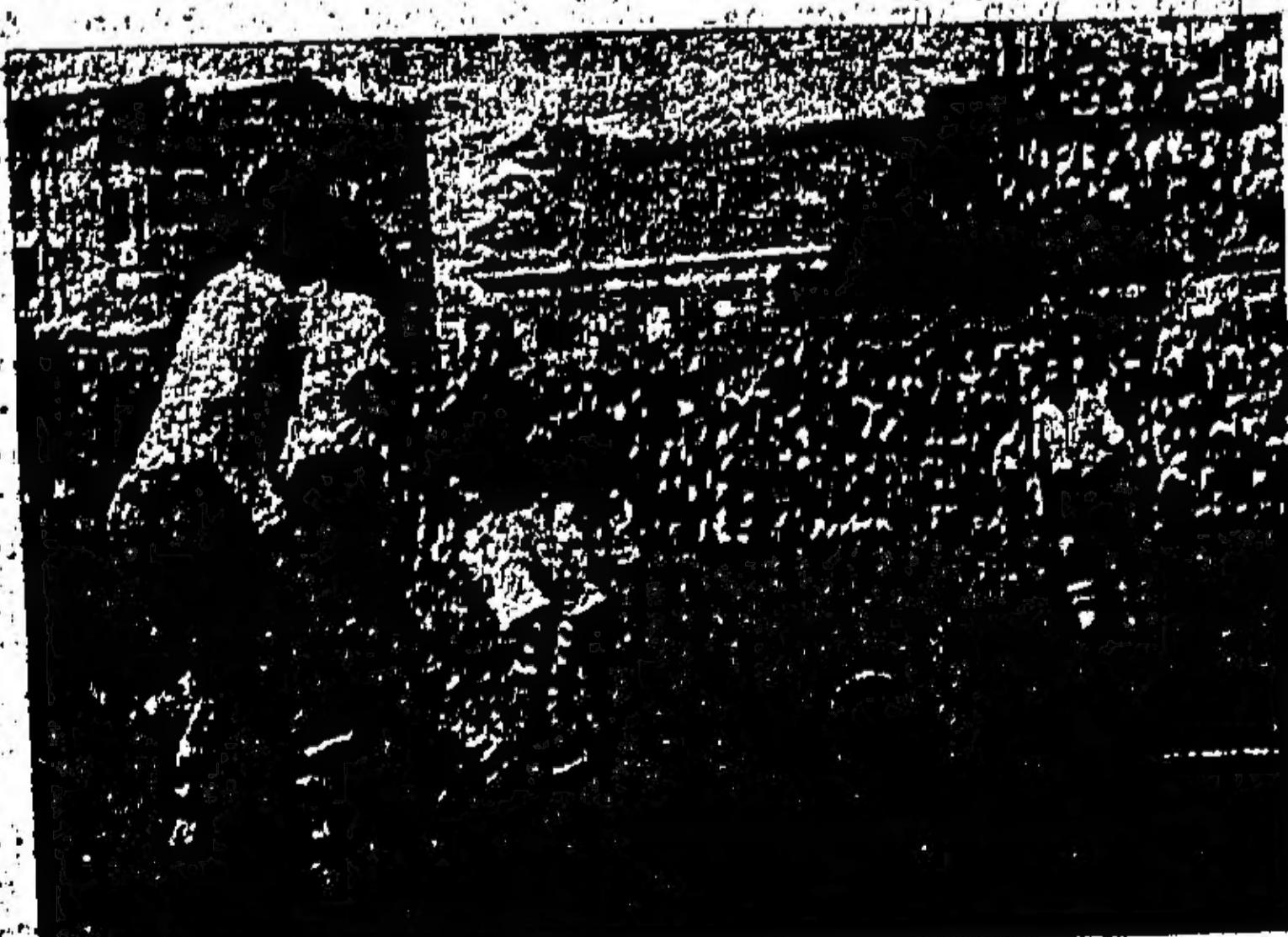
Macao Jockey  
ClubCLASSIFICATION  
OF PONIES

The Macao Jockey Club announces  
the following pony classifications:

"Y" Class, Subscription China  
Ponies

Country Flower, Coureur Bleu,  
Fairy Auk, Fairy Ouse, Gold  
Clause, Hogmanay, Hohenfels,  
Meadow Eve, Merry Fatty, Merry  
Maker, Morning Tip, Rothesay Bay,  
Shanghai, & Victory Life, Wood  
Nymph.

"X" Class China Ponies  
Giddy Star, Double Up, Eagle  
Iron Knight, National Triumph,  
High Tower.



Picture taken during the International football final between China and Scotland on Monday. Bone, Scots right back, is second from left.

IRRESISTIBLE FORM OF  
RAJPUTANA FORWARDSRoyal Scots Overwhelmed  
In Army Hockey Tourny

THE 5TH/6TH RAJPUTANA RIFLES easily accounted for the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots, in a first round match of the Large Units Knockout Hockey Tournament yesterday, winning by seven goals to nil at Shamshuipo.

Winners of the Tournament last year, the Rajputanas experienced little opposition in their first match of this year's competition.

The Royals, at no stage of the game, showed up as likely to extend their opponents, and the fourth goal of the match, the first in the second half, put the final result beyond any doubt.

For the winners, the forward line combination of Shah, Wall, Lt. Indarit Singh and Lt. Pritam Nath was irresistible and monopolised the play. In the defence, Gopal Ram and Datta Ram were in good form.

## FEW BREAKAWAYS

For the losers, Cpl. Neave was good at centre-half. The forward line lacked dash, but Hitchcock and Lt. Douglass were impressive in a few breakaways through the Rajputanas' defence. McGready, in goal, brought off some fine saves.

The goals in the first half were scored by Datta Ram (2) off short corners, and Lt. Indarit Singh. In the second half, Lt. Pritam Nath (3) and Lt. Indarit Singh scored.

The teams were:

Rajputana Rifles: Diwan Ali; Sher Khan and Datta Ram; Hira Singh Ram, Duda Ram and Gopal Ram; Shah, Wall; Lt. Indarit Singh; Lt. Pritam Nath; Lt. Mukhtar Singh and Takhat Singh.

Royal Scots: Pte. McGready; Captain Harland and Pte. Naysmith; B/M Jordan, Cpl. Neave and Lt. Ridsdale; 2/Lt. Fergus, Lt. Douglass, Cpl. Hitchcock, Lt. Patterson and Cpl. Park.

## SMALL UNITS LOSE

Short of one player throughout the game, Combined Small Units did well to hold the H.K.S.R.A. down to 4-1 at the Marina Ground. The half time score was 2-0.

Pte. Clarke (R.A.S.C.), in the Small Units' goal, managed several good saves and was, with L/C Govier, in the pivotal berth, about the outstanding player for the losers.

Sgt. Stone (R.A.S.C.) and Nk. Bagh Singh (Indian Medical Corps) were impressive in attack, but the superior teamwork and the better individual standard of the H.K.S.R.A. team proved impossible to beat.

## FIRST GOAL

Khuda Bux scored the first goal, and Abdul Rahman added to the score before the interval. In the second half, Manz Singh and Abdul Rahman scored for the H.K.S.R.A. and Govier for Combined Small Units.

The teams were:

H.K.S.R.A.: Mtd. Fazal; Yusuf Khan and Jem. Hazara Singh; Muhd. Newaz, Abdul Rahman and Dawaz Khan; Kuds Bux, Maina Singh, Dalip Singh, Rajah Khan and Nur Muhd.

Combined Small Units: Pte. Clarke (R.A.S.C.); Sgt. Reed (R.A.P.C.); Cpl. Gorman (R. Signals), L/C Govier (R.A.S.C.) and L/C Fayre (R.A.S.C.); Pte. Gibbs (R.A.S.C.); Pte. Adams (R.A.S.C.); Sgt. Stone (R.A.S.C.); Nk. Bagh Singh (Indian Medical Corps) and Sgt. Duffield (R.A.O.C.).

A Women's Committee of the Sino-Soviet Cultural Association was inaugurated in Chunking on Monday. The committee decided to hold an exhibition of pictures showing the life of Chinese and Soviet children on Children's Day.

FIRST ROUND  
RESULTS

The first round of the Large Units Knockout Hockey Tournament has been completed with the following results:-

12th Heavy Regt. beat 9th Heavy Regt. 2-0.  
Middlesex beat Royal Engineers 3-0.  
Kumaon Rifles beat 5th A.A. 5-0.  
Rajputana Rifles beat Royal Scots 7-0.  
H. K. S. R. A. beat Combined Small Units 4-1.

PROGRAMME  
FOR THIRD  
EXTRA RACE  
MEETING

The Hongkong Jockey Club's Third Extra Race Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 6, at Happy Valley.

The first saddling bell will be at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2 p.m.

Entries close tomorrow at noon.  
1.—Canton Handicap—1st Section  
(From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In, About One Mile 171 Yards)

Winner \$800, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200.

For China Ponies, "D" Class. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5.

NOTE.—One Entry only will be made for the Canton Handicap (Races Nos. 1 and 9). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

2.—Brisbane Spring Handicap  
(Two Miles)

Winner \$750, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200.

For Australian Subscription Ponies of any Season. Jockey Allowance.

Entrance \$5.

3.—Fatshan Handicap—1st Section  
(One and a Quarter Miles)

Winner \$600, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200.

For China Ponies, "C" Class. Griffins of this Season that have won less than \$1,000 in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

NOTE.—One Entry only will be made for the Fatshan Handicap (Races Nos. 3 and 7). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

4.— Hobart Handicap (One Mile)

Winner \$600, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200.

For Australian Subscription Ponies, "B" Class. Jockey Allowance.

Entrance \$5.

5.—Kongmun Handicap (From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In, About One Mile 171 Yards)

Winner \$600, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200.

For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

6.—St. Kilda Handicap (One Mile)

Winner \$300, 2nd \$200, 3rd \$200.

For Australian Subscription Ponies, "D" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

7.—Fatshan Handicap—2nd Sec.

(See Race No. 3).

8.—Broken Hill Handicap (Six Furlongs)

Winner \$600, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200.

For Australian Subscription Ponies of this Season. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

9.—Canton Handicap—2nd Section

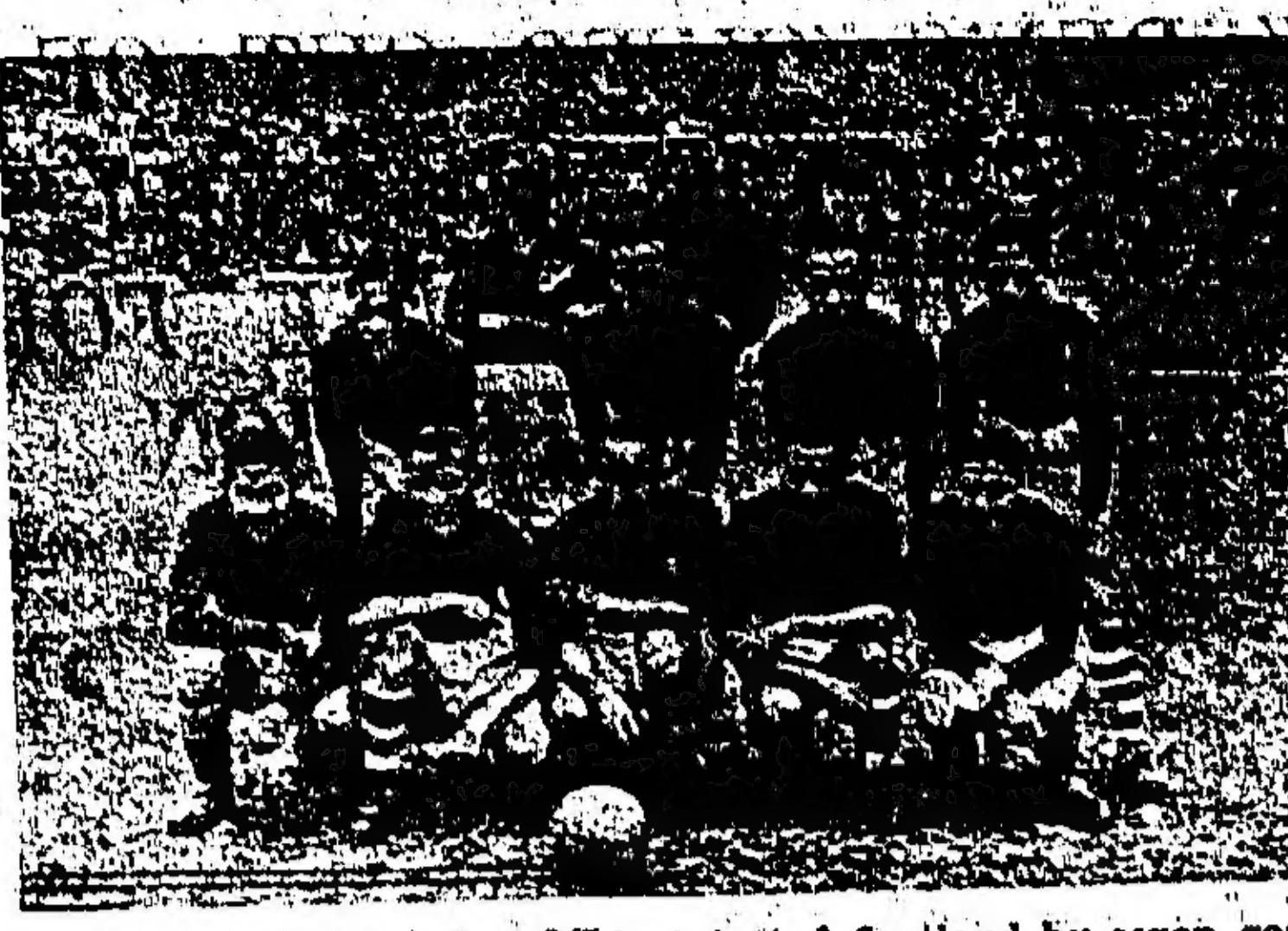
To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed.

(See Race No. 1)

Daily Double Event:—Fifth and Seventh Races.

A mass meeting will be held in Kweilin on Mar. 30 when a campaign will be launched for raising funds to erect iron statues of Wang Ching-wel and his wife in a kneeling position as a disgrace to them. In the evening a lantern parade will take place. Dramatic performances will be held and both the Spiritual Mobilisation Association and the War Aid Association will be solicited to make appropriations for the purpose.

## SPORTS



ABOVE is the Chinese team which defeated Scotland by seven goals to two in the final of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Football Cup on Monday. Standing (back row):—Lee Tin-sang, Cheung Wai-yeh; Seated row:—Leung Wing-chiu, Hsu King-seng, Soong Ling-sing, Lee Kwok-wai; Front row:—Chung Yung-sun, Fung King-cheong, Chan Tak-fai, Ip Pak-wah and Hau Ching-to.

Holiday Home Soccer And  
Rugger Matches

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters)—The following are the results of Home football and rugby matches played on Easter Monday:

MIDLAND  
Coventry 10, Luton 2.  
West Bromwich 4, Birmingham 1.

1. EAST MIDLAND  
Lincoln 1, Chesterfield 4.  
Notts F. 1, Barnsley 0.

Rotherham 3, Nott C. 2.

WESTERN  
Chester 2, Tranmere 2.  
Stoke C. 5, Port Vale 1.

NORTH-WESTERN  
Barrow 4, Blackburn 2.  
Carlisle 3, Southport 2.

SOUTH C.  
B'mouth 6, Southend 1.

Crystal P. 7, Clapton O. 1.

Norwich C. 3, Brighton & H. 0.

Queen's Park R. 2, Watford 0.

Reading 1, Aldershot 0.

SOUTH-WESTERN  
Bristol C. 2, Swanses 0.

Newport 0, Bristol R. 2.

NORTH-EASTERN  
Darlington 8, M'craeborough 0.

Huddersfield 4, Hartlepools 1.

Hull 4, York 1.

SCOTTISH (WESTERN)  
Queen's Park 1, Celtic 4.

Rangers 2, Partick T. 2.

Clyde 4, Third Lanark 0.

FRIENDLIES  
Bury 4, Accrington 0.

New Brighton 1, Southport 0.

Blackpool 6, Manchester C. 3.

Cardiff 1, West Bromwich 1.

Leeds 6, Doncaster 2.

Leicester 5, Sheffield W. 2.

Liverpool 0, Bolton 1.

Manchester U. 5, Preston 1.

CLASSIFICATION  
LISTS OF H.K.  
JOCKEY CLUB

Alterations and additions to Classification lists dated March 11, 1940, are as follows:—

## AUSTRALIAN PONIES

Bruno, Many Thanks; Springhurst to "B" Class; Australian Prince, Bredon, Centre Court, Fair Chance, Forehand Drive, Franklin, Princes Bridge, Rowan, Snowy River to "C" Class; Heinz, Nancy Lee, Piccadilly Jim to "D" Class.

## CHINA PONIES

Dupont Bay, O-Lan to "A" Class; Gay Star, Conagh to "B" Class; Blue Field, Blue Gate, Emergency Unit, Musketeer, Oak Bay, Oliphant, Rose Charming, Rose Evelyn, Rose Flora, Rose Perfect to "C" Class; Valorous to "D" Class.

## CROWN LAND SALES

Three lots of Crown land in Kowloon and one in Hongkong were sold at yesterday's public auction at the P. W. D.

New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2774, situated at the junction of Shun Ning Road and Kiu Kiang Street, Shamshuipo, containing an area of about 5,230 sq. ft., was sold to Mr. Ng Tim of No. 68, Castle Peak Road, at the upset price of \$5,230.

New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2778, at the junction of Castle Peak Road and Wing Lung Street, Chaihung Shek Wan, containing an area of about 5,110 sq. ft., was sold to Mr. Chung Wah, merchant, for \$10,000.

Inland Lot No. 6745, situated at Nathan Road, containing an area of about 2,880 sq. ft., was sold to Mr. Tsang Yung, care of Messrs. Russ & Company, at the upset price of \$2,

## HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE

SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

TUESDAY 26. MAR.							
Buyers	Sellers	Shares	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Shares	Nominal
...	...	\$1500	1400	H.K. Banks	...	...	\$1500
...	...	293	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	293	
...	...	293	Do. (Loc. Reg.)	...	...	293	
...	...	293	Chartered Banks	...	...	293	
...	...	293	Mercantile Bank "A"	...	...	293	
...	...	293	Mercantile Bank "C"	...	...	293	
...	...	871	Bank of East Asia	...	...	871	
...	...	871	N.C. & B. Banks	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Insurances	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Canton Insurances	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Union Insurances	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Underwriters	...	...	871	
...	...	871	H.K. Fire	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Shipping	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Doughness	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Steamboats	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Indo-China (Prod.)	...	...	871	
...	...	871	Indo-China (Def.)	...	...	871	
...	...	78/9	Shells	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	Watertanks	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	Providence (new)	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	H.K. & W. Dock	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	Do. (new)	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	Shanghai Docks S.	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	New Engineering S.	...	...	78/9	
...	...	78/9	Mining	...	...	78/9	
...	...	19/0	Kailan	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Ranbo	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Venezuela Gold Mine	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	H.K. Hotels	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	H.K. Lands	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Shanghai Lands S.	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	H.K. Realities	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Humphreys	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Shai Cottons (S.)	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Star Ferries	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	H.K. Electrics	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Macso Electric	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Sandakan Lights	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Telephones (Old)	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Telephones (new)	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Industrials	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Canton Ins.	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Miscellaneous	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Dairy Farm (New)	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Ch. Ettainnes	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Constructions (old)	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Watsons	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Ch. G. & I. 1936 S.Bds.	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	H.K. Govt. 4% Loans	...	...	19/0	
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...	...	19/0	Vibro Filing	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Harmans Inv. (Lem.)	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Harmans Inv. (H.K.)	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Wm. Powells	...	...	19/0	
...	...	19/0	Sales to Shanghai	...	...	19/0	

## World Crude Oil Production Reaches New Peak

NEW YORK. (Havas—By Air Mail)—An all-time high was reached in production of crude oil throughout the world during the month of December, according to "World Petroleum" which uses mainly official figures for its compilations.

The December output of the most crucial single item of modern wartime necessities was put at approximately 186,083,288 barrels, as compared to 178,852,937 barrels in November and 168,236,618 barrels in December 1938. Total world production in 1939 was put at 2,076,852,295, an increase of 5.5% over the output in 1938.

The United States produced monthly total since May 1939, 1,266,517,500 barrels, or 60.8 per cent. of the world total. Poland produced 3,828,000 barrels in 1938. Its peak was above 4,000,000 several years ago.

Germany, taken together with Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Moravia, produced 5,800,000 barrels, a new record, but less than 10 per cent. of Germany's normal requirements.

## PRIVATE OPERATION OF U.S. SHIPS

WASHINGTON. (Havas—By Air Mail)—With the chartering of the vessels of the American Pioneer Line and the Puget Sound-Orient Line—all in Far Eastern service—the latest government-owned and operated foreign services have now been turned over to private operation. Six ships of the Puget Sound-Orient Line were chartered by the American Mail Line of Seattle. The ships involved are the Capillo, Coldbrook, Collingsworth, Satarin, Crown City, and West Couston. The bid was for \$17,871 per month.

During the last 14 months the Maritime Commission has transferred to private operation the Oriole Lines and the India, Far Eastern and Australian services of the Pioneer Line.

An interesting figure is that given for Poland—3,898,000 barrels for the entire year, with the peak output in December, the highest

## Finance and Commerce

## Szechwan's Sugar Industry Worth \$20 Million

Sugarcane has started to appear in the Chungking market. A few months hence, many corners in Chungking will be littered with crushed sugarcane as they were with tangerine peels a few months ago. When summer comes, plantations in 46 districts of Szechuan districts will have yielded about 25,000,000 piculs of sugarcane from which more than 2,000,000 piculs of sugar, valued at \$20,000,000 will be manufactured.

Szechwan as a sugar producing area is as rich as Java or Cuba. On the average, it produces annually 700,000 piculs of white sugar and 1,000,000 piculs of brown sugar. With the decrease in supply of the foreign product resulting from the war, Szechuan sugar is now enjoying a nation-wide sale. Formerly, Kwangtung and Fukien used to produce 2,500,000 and 500,000 piculs of assorted sugar, respectively.

Kwangsi, Kiangnan and Kweichow also made brown sugar, but on a limited scale. The nation's total production was more than 6,000,000 piculs before the war.

Other listed were: Turkey \$1,16,641; Sweden \$1,113,371; Finland \$1,047,651; China \$497,993; Brazil \$233,743; and Japan, at the bottom of the list, with \$20,152.

Aircraft exported during January totalled 233 units valued at \$17,574,469. Of these, 205 were complete land planes, valued at \$15,877,784, 27 land planes were exported without engines.

China's main purchase was aeroplane engines, of which she took 34 valued at \$372,752.

## H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The holiday feeling not having entirely worn off, interest in the market was little better than academic.

## BUYERS

Union Ins., \$500.  
Docks, \$23.  
Humphreys, \$7.90.  
Tramways, \$173.  
China Lights (Old), \$8.20.  
China Lights (New), \$5.40.  
Ropes, \$5.45.

## SELLERS

H.K. Bank, \$1,500.  
Lands, \$38.  
Tramways, \$18.  
Telephones (Old), \$30.  
Telephones (New), \$11.60.  
Ropes, \$5.45.

## SALES

H.K. Bank, \$1,480.  
Union Ins., \$505/510.  
Docks, \$23.  
Providents, \$5.20.  
Electrics, \$654.  
Telephones (Old), \$294.  
Cements, \$194.  
Ropes, \$5.65.

## MANILA GOLD SHARES

Atoks 18b, Antamok 12b, Baguio Gold 21b, Batong Buhay 1b, Big Wedge 18b, Coco Grove 11b, Consolidated Mines 0035s, Demonstration 10s, LXL 35b, Ipo Gold 10b, Itogen Mining 20js, Masbate Consolidated 08s, Mine Operations 094s, Paracale-Gumusua 18b, San Mauricio 74s, Surigao Consolidated 18s, Suyoc Consolidated 12s, Syndicate Investment 02s, United Paracale, 24js, Mindanao Motherlode 09s.

## SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, Mar. 26, 1940  
H.K. Banks ..... 10 \$1,480.00  
Cements ..... 500 19.50

## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS  
MARCH 26, 1940.

On London:—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 25/39  
Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 35/33  
Credits 4 months' sight 1/3 33/33  
On Shanghai:—  
On demand ..... 350  
On Singapore:—  
On demand ..... 52 3/8  
On Japan:—  
On demand ..... 96 1/2  
On India:—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 82  
and demand ..... 82  
On New York:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 22 1/2  
Credits 60 days' sight 23 3/8  
On Batavia:—  
On demand ..... 41 3/4  
On Paris:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 1082  
Credits 4 months' sight 1137  
On Saigon:—  
On demand ..... 108  
On Manila:—  
On demand ..... 45  
On Bangkok:—  
On demand ..... 150 1/2  
On Sterling Notes:—  
Bank Buying Rate 1/3 31/32  
Bar Silver per oz ..... 10 11/16

## Market Report

## FROM BOZA BROS.

Silver prices dropped over the holidays to the extent of 5/16 for both Ready and Forward, the quotations being 20.11/16 for both deliveries. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot. The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 4021/2. New York/London was quoted at 388. 3/8.

**Market:**  
Quietly steady. There was hardly anything doing.

**Sterling:**  
Remained on offer at 1/2.27/32 March/July for the whole of the morning with buyers bidding 1/2.7/8 for Cash.

**U. S. Dollars:**  
Business was done during the early part of the morning at 22.11/16 first half April. There was no movement in the rate which remained at 22.5/8 sellers for March, probably further buyers at 22.3/4 for Cash and 22. 11/16 April.

**Shanghai Dollars:**  
Business was done at 360. 359. 3/4 and 359.1/2. Towards lunch time there were sellers at 360.1/2 for Spot.

**Shanghai Market:**  
Easy undertone. Sterling sellers for Spot at 41/8, March 4/3, 32 and April 3.53/64. U.S. Dollars sellers for Spot at 61/4, March 6.8/16 and April 5.31/32.

**AFTERNOON MARKET:**  
The market was quiet in the afternoon. U.S. Dollars were a shade easier.

**Sterling:**  
There were sellers at 1/2.27/32 March/July and small buyers at 1/2.7/8 for Cash.

**U. S. Dollars:**  
A transaction was reported at 22.1/2 for June. The market closed with sellers at 22.5/8 March and 22.9/18 April, buyers at 22.11/16 March and probably 22.5/8 April.

**Shanghai Dollars:**  
360.1/2 sellers for Spot.

**Shanghai Market:**  
Sterling sellers for Spot were quoted at 41/8, March 4.5/16 and April 3.15/16. U.S. Dollars sellers for Spot at 81/4, March 6.8/16 and April 5.15/16.

**Shanghai Exchange:**  
Shanghai, Mar. 26 (Reuter)

## Official T.T. Rates

London ..... 0/4

New York ..... 6-3/18

Japan ..... 26-1/4

India ..... 22-1/8

Paris ..... 2-3/4

Hongkong ..... 26-3/4

**Sellers:**

Opening ..... Closing

Spot ..... 0/4-1/8 0/4-1/8

Mar. ..... 0/4-7/8 0/4-1/16

Apr. ..... 0/4-1/32 0/3-5/64

**U.S. Dollars:**

Spot ..... 38-5/18 38-1/4

Mar. ..... 6-9/32 6-5/32

Apr. ..... 6-5/32 5-29/32

Spot market quiet forward easy.

**Silver Duty Rate:**

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/20.

The Equalisation rate was 8-3/4 per cent.

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HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW  
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

NEW YORK, MARCH 25, 1940.

SINGAPORE RUBBER

SPOT ..... Previous March 25  
APRIL-JUNE ..... Closing  
JULY-SEPT. ..... Buyers

LONDON RUBBER

SPOT ..... Previous close Today's close  
APRIL ..... Buyers Buyers ChangeMAY ..... 11-1/4  
JUNE ..... 11-1/4  
JULY-SEPT. ..... 11-3/16  
OCT.-DEC. ..... 11-1/8

NEW YORK COTTON: The market was a small affair and the Trade is awaiting the action of the Farm measure

NEW YORK RUBBER: The Trade is discussing the possibility of a 5 per cent. cut to 75 per cent for the third quarters quota.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Unfavourable crop reports from abroad and reports of better export sales firmed the market significantly. There have been further complaints of the shortage of moisture in South-West Kansas and North West Oklahoma where temperatures are low with no rains. Crop news will probably continue to be an increasing price factor.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 146.73; Today's close, 146.25; Change, off .48.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)High Low Close Close Change  
New York Cotton, May ..... 10.57 10.52 10.59 10.54 .05 off

New York Rubber, May ..... 18.42 18.40 18.45 18.40 .05 off

Chicago Wheat, May ..... 107 105 105 106 1/8 up

Chicago Corn, May ..... 57 58 58 58 5/8 up

New York Hides, June ..... 13.75 13.65 13.76 13.72 .04 off

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change  
May ..... 10.55/59 10.53/54 10.54/54 .05 off

July ..... 10.34/34 10.33/34 .04 off

October ( ) ..... 10.51 N 10.47/47 10.45/45 .06 off

December ( ) ..... 9.90/90 9.85/85 9.91/91 .01 up

January ( ) ..... 9.77/77 9.74/74 9.78/78 .01 up

March ( ) ..... 9.72 N 9.69/69 9.74/74 .02 up

Spot ..... unquoted 9.52b/56a 9.60 N .05 off

Total sales Saturday:—2,300 bales.

First notice day for cotton:—1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER

March ..... 18.45b/50a 18.40b/47a 18.40/40 .05 off

May ..... 18.45/45 18.40b/47a 18.40/40 .05 off

July ..... 18.17/17 18.17b/20a 18.17/17 unch.

September ..... 18.06b/10a 18.05b/10a 18.00b/15a .08 off

December ..... 17.90b ..... 17.90b/95a unch.

January ..... 17.85n ..... 17.85 N unch.

Total sales:—16,174,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May ..... 561/564 561/561 564/571 5/8 up

July ..... 574/578 574/578 58/58 1/8 up

September ..... 58/58 58/58 1/8 up

WINNIPEG WHEAT

May ..... 891b/894 891b/894 901b 1/8 up

July ..... 901/904 901/904 911b 1/8 up

October ..... 921a 921a 1/8 up

NEW YORK HIDES

June ..... 13.76a/78a 13.85b/80a 13.72/72 .04 off

September ..... 14.02/02 14.00/00 14.04/05 .02 up

New York, Official ..... 34-3/4 34-3/4

NY-London Cross Rate 3.71

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Singapore, Mar. 26 (Reuter)

Merchant Selling T.T. Rate

Shanghai ..... 15-5/8

London ..... 2/4-1/8

New York ..... 48-15/16

Japan ..... 182-3/4

Hongkong ..... 53-1/8

Java ..... 87-1/8

Market T.T. Rate

London ..... 2/4-11/64

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 26, 1940.

STOCKS Last Sale Mar. 25

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Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass 50

Lockheed Aircraft 30

Allied Stores 35

Allis-Chalmers 34

Aluminum Ltd. 103

Amer. Can 114

American Cyanamid B. 384

Amer. &amp; Foreign Power 14

Amer. &amp; Foreign 37 pf.

American Gas &amp; Elec. 344

Amer. Locomotive 201

Amer. Metals Co. 24

Amer. Radiator 83

Amer. Rolling Mill 141

Amer. Sting &amp; Ring Co. 49

Amer. Sugar Refining 194

Amer. Tel. &amp; Tel. 172

Amer. Tobacco "B" 881

Amer. Waterworks 91

Anaconda Copper 231

Atchison, T. &amp; S. Fe. 214

Auburn Motors 14

Baltimore &amp; Ohio 42

Barber Asphalt Co. 104

Barnsdall Oil 34

Bendix Aviation 74

Bethlehem Steel 22

Bliss &amp; Co. 22

Boeing Airplane Co. 22

Bridgeport Brass Corp. 114

Briggs Mfg. 214

Brooklyn-M'hattan Trans. 22

Brooklyn-Manhattan 30

Canadian Pacific R'way 51

Case, J.L. 67

Celanese 298

Chesapeake &amp; Ohio 391

Chrysler Corp. 85

Climax-Molybdenum Co. 394

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Columbia "B" "A" pf. 51

Commercial Credit Co. 452

Com. &amp; Southern (Ord.) 1

Consolidated Edison 31

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**DOCK CO. MEETING**

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East yard, where no ship has been built since 1925, is being opened up again, but with an improved layout of the platers, machine shop and better access to the yard.

The new large machine shop which I promised to be ready at the end of 1939 was not so ready but some of its heavy machines are now installed and working, and this new shop I have no doubt, will soon prove its efficiency.

**CREATION OF RESERVES**

I doubt if shareholders fully appreciate why we must develop in what may appear to them a somewhat costly manner calling for the creation of considerable reserves. There are so many sides to our work—we employ no less than 20 different kinds of tradesmen and we are not able to put our work out to specialists as can the yards at home. We must be able to make practically everything ourselves or lose the business to places which can.

We must be equipped to deal with any large repairs which may be necessary to the largest ship coming to Hongkong, and likewise to the engines, whether turbine, reciprocating, or diesel. As the sizes of these increase, so we must foresee and advance, and this I think I can fairly claim we are doing.

The suggested appropriation of \$350,000 for a Special Reserve for extension is to enable us to purchase from the Hongkong Government and reclaim portion of the sea-front on the east side of our East Yard to give us an additional deep water berth. This additional deep water berth has been a great need for a long time, for, with a crane, we have been sorely put to it to accommodate others without interfering with dockings and undockings, or to avoid the inconvenience of shifting ships when we need to use the great crane for other work.

I give you the Board's assurance that there has not been and there will not be any profligate spending, but if we are to attract and retain clients we must keep an everwatchful eye upon the maintenance of our efficiency.

**TRIBUTE TO STAFF**

In conclusion, gentlemen, a word about the staff and the way in which they have responded to the extra calls made upon them since the outbreak of War. They willingly formed a Volunteer unit which trains regularly twice a week at the Docks, where a small range has been erected, and the "Dochi Guerrillas" as they nicknamed themselves, about 35 strong will give a good account of themselves if called upon. Others over military age have attended lectures in field work given by Major Walker, so that they could serve in the event of it being necessary. About 40 attended a series of A.R.P. lectures. All this has been done at the end of long working days, and though perhaps not exactly Company's business, I mention these things to indicate the staff's sense of public duty which is paralleled only their sense of duty to the Company.

**SECONDER'S REMARKS**

In seconding the adoption of the report and accounts Mr. G. W. Sewell, said, in part:—While the net profit made last year must be regarded as satisfactory it is still more gratifying to learn, Sir, of the stops taken to consolidate the Company's position. Sound financial or any other leadership must make adequate provision for the future if adversity is to be successfully overcome.

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**War Fails To Mar Britain's Bank Holiday****HUGE CROWDS AT SEASIDE**

LONDON, Mar. 26 (Reuters)—On the first Easter Monday of the war, huge crowds of holidaymakers throughout the country flocked to the seaside by train, hikers thronged the countryside and cyclists filled the roads.

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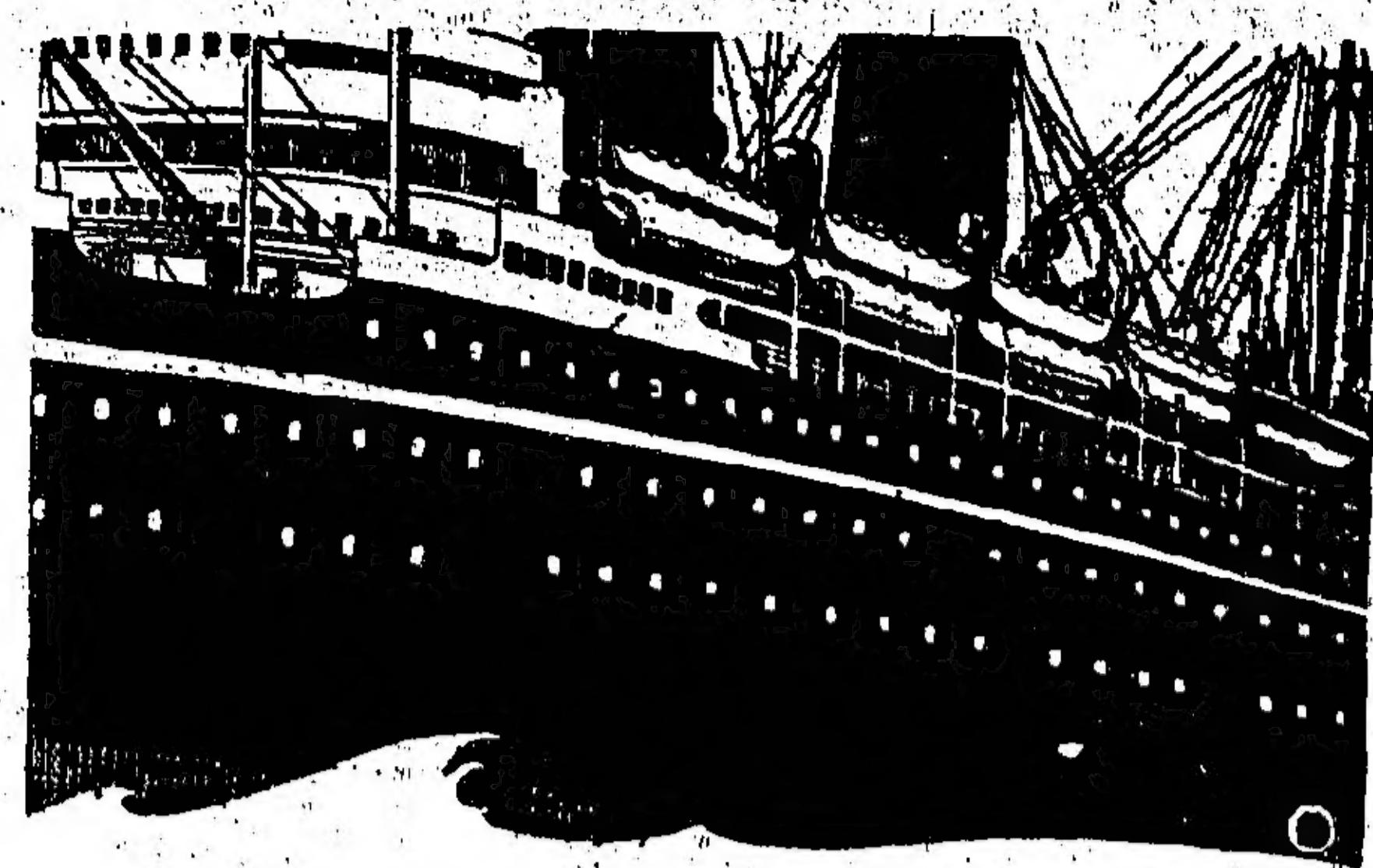
There were the usual Bank Holiday crowds in London "seeing the sights," the only difference being the sandbags and the steel-helmeted city policemen.

The petrol ration, however, stopped many families who normally go holiday-making on the roads. Traffic was only third of normal, the London-Brighton Road carrying the bulk of cars at the rate of 1,400 an hour.

**ATTENDANCE**

Those present were: Hon. Mr. S. Dodwell (Chairman), Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Director), Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo (Director), Messrs. J. H. Jessen (Director), S. T. Williamson (Director), Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., M.I.N.A. (Chief Manager), Mr. E. L. Hosie (Secretary), and the following Shareholders:

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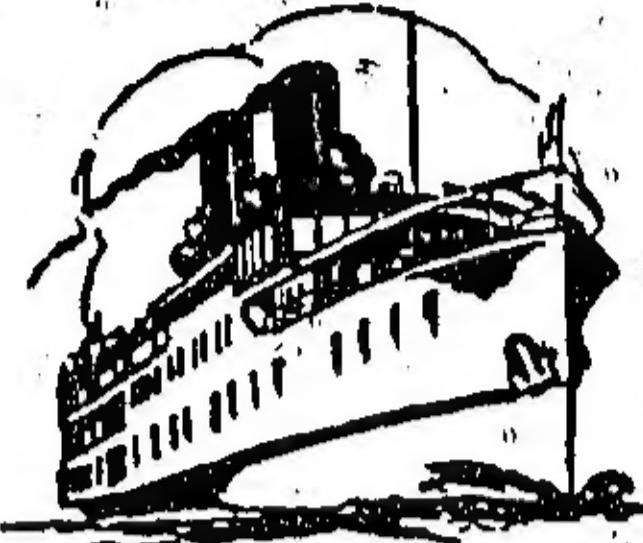
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CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns at Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st April, 1940, will be subject to Bent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 15th April, 1940, or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th March, 1940, at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

No Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO, LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 23rd March, 1940.

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#### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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having arrived from New York and Parts of call Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice will be given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st April, 1940, will be subject to Bent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 30th March, 1940, at 10 A.M., by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 1st May, 1940, or they will not be recognized.

No insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JENSEN & CO., Agents.

Hong Kong, 26th March, 1940. [17]

## Congregation At University

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statement of accounts, and to his earnest plea for greater financial support.

A grave responsibility lies upon the University—to keep alive in this part of the world the now flickering flame of knowledge and culture, already damaged and imperilled by barbaric ways.

For it cannot be said too often nor insisted upon too strongly that this University does not exist for Hongkong alone; it aims to occupy a place akin to that of the great mediaeval universities of Europe whither students flocked from all surrounding countries. And now that higher education in China is in dire straits, Universities and Colleges in ruins, and their personnel refugees, it is our privilege to help as we can; and our hope, when peace comes, to play some small part if wanted in the re-staffing and the rehabilitation of these our sister universities.

#### NOBLE USE OF MONEY

There must be many wealthy men in this Colony, some of them seeking refuge here, who are at a loss to know where to place their money safely. I would ask them what better investment for their children and for posterity, what nobler use of their money could they make than the endowment of a seat of learning in this fortunate isle where the tides of destruction do not reach.

"Mr. Morse, we warmly congratulate you on your high promotion, though, alas, it means your leaving us. We thank you for all your help, and we wish you and Mrs. Morse a safe and happy journey home.

Mr. Chancellor I beg to present to Your Excellency Mr. Arthur Morse, who is deemed worthy of the Degree of Doctor of Laws honoris causa.

#### HE THE GOVERNOR

After conferring the degree of LL.D. on Mr. Morse, His Excellency the Chancellor said: Mr. Vice-Chancellor, Mr. Treasurer, Members of the Hongkong University—The Vice-Chancellor has just given to us a full and worthy account of the services which Dr. Arthur Morse has given to the Hongkong University in the whole-hearted manner which is peculiarly his own, and I will try to avoid trespassing too greatly on your patience by vain repetitions. Nevertheless it is my very pleasant duty this evening to address a word of congratulation to Mr. Morse on his receiving the degree of Doctor of Laws of this University and to add to that word another expressive of our deep gratitude to him for his invaluable labours on our behalf.

It may justly be said that Mr. Morse's Treasuryship during his four years of service in that post, has been especially noteworthy for the positive and constructive way in which he set about his task.

During that period our finances have been very considerably reorganized and placed upon a sounder footing, and we ourselves have been fortunate in receiving much enlightenment upon our financial position from the brief, careful and illuminating discourses which our Treasurer has been good enough to prepare for us from time to time.

#### CONCEPTION OF DUTY

But Mr. Morse had a conception of his duty which was much wider than the merely conservative: he saw very clearly that if the Hongkong University was to carry out its all important function at all properly it was inevitable that, despite the all but desperate state of our finances, the University should spend money on a considerable scale. It must be very tempting to the Treasurer of a struggling institution, such as our University, to take up, regardless of consequences, a non-pessimistic attitude towards any proposal involving new expenditure; but if such a temptation has from time to time assailed Mr. Morse his just appreciation of economic values has enabled him to repel the attack and the Hongkong University of the future will rightly look back upon him as one who brought his full tale of bricks to its building.

It is, therefore, the more pleasant to reflect that, as a result of the decision of the Court to offer to Mr. Morse an honorary degree and of his acceptance of that offer, the University has insured itself for the period of his lifetime against losing touch with one who served it so well.

#### FUTURE DEMANDS

What demands the University Authorities may make in the

## SALVATION ARMY HOME

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needed ironing and drying rooms into bedrooms! By this effort we have at last succeeded in bringing up the total accommodation to sixty-six. Our only regret is we could not make it one hundred and sixty-six.

The statistical comparison 1935-1939 shows a tremendous decrease in the number of admissions on the Juvenile Remand side of the Home.

#### ONLY 17 CASES

In 1935 there were 563 juvenile (girl) offenders brought to the Home by the police, charged "hawking no licence". Appearing at Court, 510 of this number were discharged with a caution. The remaining 50 were sentenced to a very short term of detention at the Home. During 1939, only 17 such cases were admitted from the Police, and upon appearing at Court all were discharged with a caution.

There has been a decided increase in the number of larceny cases among the girl juvenile offenders; these are usually sent to the Home by the Magistrates to serve the full detention period six months.

It is encouraging to note that the girl juvenile offenders who have served their six months detention in the Home, either for larceny or any other serious offence have not got into trouble again. Since the commencement of the Juvenile Girls' Remand work only one such case has been returned to the Home on a second charge.

At present there are twenty-five girls in the original Salvation Army side of the Home who have been transferred from what is known as "downstairs" or the Remand Home. The large majority of these have themselves asked to be given a longer chance in the Home when their six months period of detention was finished. These transfers are a very encouraging feature of the Government Juvenile Remand side of this Home.

The Home Staff remains as last year. A further tribute should be paid to all our Chinese Helpers for their undiring devotion to duty. The happy spirit maintained in the Home, is surely a tribute to their splendid influence upon the girls under their care. Three of our present Helpers were formerly inmates of the Home.

#### SALES OF WORK

By kind permission of the Committee, a Sale of Work was held at the Women's International Club, and another at Phillips House, by the kindness of Mrs. Phillips. These two opportunities of displaying the work resulted in orders which have kept the girls happily employed for several months.

Our first "Pound Day" was held on Dec. 19 organised entirely by a party of ladies who were so encouraged by the splendid response to their appeal for gifts, that they have decided to make it an annual event.

Mrs. Purves organised a most successful tennis tournament in aid of the Home, realising the sum of \$100. It is hoped that this may become an annual event also!

We wish to express sincere gratitude for the generous increase of the Government Grant, making it possible to renew the lease of No. 2 Embankment Road.

We are deeply indebted to Miss Harrop, Lady Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for her valuable assistance and advice always so willingly given.

The report then dwelt with many telling instances in which the Salvation Army had helped girls in trouble.

#### EXCELLENT WORK

Lady Noble spoke of the excellent work done by the Salvation Army all over the world and encouraged the idea of starting a pound day to help their cause. The pound day had been found to be very successful in London where she, for many years, had taken a close interest in a home of a simi-

lar nature. Lady Noble said she would do her best to get her friends to assist in any effort made by the Salvation workers in Hongkong.

Lady Pollock proposed a vote of thanks to Lady Noble and the meeting terminated with the benediction by Mr. Sandbach.

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## Gala Benefit Performance

A large audience, comprising many Chinese notables, was present last night at the benefit performance at the King's Theatre of the film, "Queen for a Night," an outstanding Chinese motion picture.

Miss Chan Wan Sheung, the star of "Queen for a Night," attended the theatre in person, and charmed the audience with a graceful Chinese dance on the stage.

Under the distinguished patronage of Lady Northcote, and given by the Hongkong Branch of the National Women's Relief Association, the show was preceded by a stirring speech by the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Kt., C.M.G.

#### A GOOD CAUSE

The Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall said:—Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen.—We met here this evening in furtherance of a good cause. Since the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, many organisations have been formed in this Colony for the purpose of raising money for the relief of wounded soldiers and poor refugees. Foremost among these has stood the National Women's Relief Association whose Hongkong Branch has done a tremendous amount of good work in the relief of these innocent victims of the war. It is under their auspices that this charity performance has been organised.

I am asked by the Committee of the Association to say how deeply grateful they are to His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote for their gracious presence and their generous donation. To Lady Northcote, who is always so ready to sponsor and support all worthy causes, the Committee are further indebted for her kindness in allowing the entertainment to be given under her distinguished Patronage.

#### PERSONAL APPEARANCE

I am also to express the Committee's warmest thanks to Miss Chan Wan-sheung for her personal appearance; to the King's Theatre for a generous reduction in the charge for the use of the Theatre, to the United China Motion Picture Corporation, for the loan of the film, "Queen for a Night"; to the Press for the publicity which they have given to the entertainment; and to you, ladies and gentlemen, for your encouraging presence.

I am very glad of the opportunity which the Committee of the Association have afforded me to pay a tribute to their good work. The members of the Association have raised large sums of money, and they have all, from the chairman to the youngest member, laboured hard and unceasingly, for the object for which the Association stands. But the work must still go on as long as the present hostilities continue.

#### URGENT NEED

There will be wounded soldiers requiring medical comforts; there will be war refugees, who have lost their all, in urgent need of material help which we, who are more fortunately placed, can render them. By your presence here tonight you have demonstrated your practical sympathy with the great cause for which the Association works. Your support is a heartening incentive to those who are carrying on the work, and, in their name I extend to you their hearty welcome, and tender to you their grateful thanks.

COLONY HEALTH:

#### FOUR CASES OF SMALL-POX

Seventy cases of tuberculosis, four cases of small-pox, ten cases of dysentery, seven cases of measles, six cases of enteric, five cases of diphtheria, and four cases each of chicken-pox and cerebro-spinal fever were notified to the Health Department on Mar. 25.

happiness in your new surroundings.

The Chancellor then declared the Congregation closed.

## FOREIGN MAIIS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 27th MARCH, 1940, 9.30 AM.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD MAIIS

From	Date
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 20th March.	27th Mar.
Manila .....	27th Mar.
Straits .....	27th Mar.
Shanghai .....	27th Mar.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 10th February).	27th Mar.
Tientsin .....	27th Mar.
Manila .....	27th Mar.
Bangkok and Tourane .....	27th Mar.
Straits and Palembang.	27th Mar.
Canton .....	27th Mar.
Haiphong .....	27th Mar.
Java and Manila .....	27th Mar.
Shanghai .....	27th Mar.
Japan and Shanghai .....	27th Mar.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 20th March.	27th Mar.
Canton .....	27th Mar.
Japan .....	27th Mar.
U. S. A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 20th February).	27th Mar.
Japan and Shanghai .....	27th Mar.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow .....	27th Mar.
Amoy .....	27th Mar.
Shanghai .....	27th Mar.
Japan and Shanghai .....	27th Mar.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon .....	27th Mar.
Manila .....	27th Mar.
Sabahakan .....	27th Mar.
Shanghai .....	27th Mar.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 22nd March.	27th Mar.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 23rd March .....	27th Mar.
Shanghai .....	27th Mar.
Japan .....	27th Mar.
Singapore .....	27th Mar.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon .....	27th Mar.
Java and Manilla .....	27th Mar.
Japan .....	27th Mar.
Australia and Manilla .....	27th Mar.
Manila .....	27th Mar.
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